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CHINA COAST OFFICERS GUILD

MEMBERS are advised that an Ordinary General Meeting will be held at the Guild office, 24 The Bund, TODAY at 2.30 p.m.

J. WATSON,
Joint Secretary.

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MARINE ENGINEERS GUILD OF CHINA

A General Meeting of the Guild will be held in the office, 24 The Bund, Shanghai, TO-DAY, at 5 p.m.

J. WATSON,
Secretary.

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THE ENGINEERING SOCIETY OF CHINA

ELEVENTH ORDINARY MEETING

Under the Auspices of The Institution of Mechanical Engineers China Branch

The Eleventh Ordinary Meeting of the Society will be held TO-DAY at 5.45 p.m. in the Dining Room, 14th Floor, Park Hotel.

Paper on

THE MODERNISATION OF INDUSTRIAL POWER PLANTS

by

S. STUCKEN, B.A., A.M.I. Mech. E., A.M.I.E.E.

Tea will be available from 4.30 to 5.30 p.m.

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THE SHANGHAI ELECTRIC CONSTRUCTION CO., LTD.

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NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Thirty-third Ordinary General Meeting of THE SHANGHAI ELECTRIC CONSTRUCTION COMPANY, LIMITED, will be held at the Head Office of the Company, 185 Soochow Road, Shanghai, on Tuesday the Twenty-fifth day of April, 1939, at 4 o'clock in the afternoon for the purposes following, namely:—

(1) To receive and consider the Annual Statement of Accounts and Balance Sheet, and the Reports of the Directors and Auditors thereon.
(2) To declare a Dividend.
(3) To elect Directors.
(4) To appoint Auditors.
(5) To transact any other business of an Ordinary General Meeting.

The Transfer Books and Register of Members will be closed from April 10, to April 25. 1939, both dates inclusive.

By Order of the Board,
A. POLLOCK,
Secretary.

185, Soochow Road,
Shanghai, March 25, 1939.

NOTE:—A holder of a Share Warrant to Bearer desiring to attend and vote at the meeting must deposit the Share Warrant together with a statement in writing of his name and address at the Head Office of the Company in Shanghai or at the Registered Office of the Company, Basildon House, Moorgate, London, E.C.2, two clear days at least before the day appointed for the meeting or adjourned meeting.

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THE SUA MANGGIS RUBBER COMPANY, LIMITED

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NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Twenty-ninth Annual General Meeting of Shareholders in the above-named Company will be held at No. 49 Szechuen Road, Shanghai, on Monday, March 27, 1939 at 11.45 a.m. for the following purposes:—

To receive the Directors' Report and Statement of Accounts for the year ended December 31, 1938, to declare a Dividend, to elect Directors and Auditors and to transact any other ordinary business of the Company.

The Transfer Books and Share Register of the Company will be closed from March 21 to March 27, 1939, both days inclusive.

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To-day's Events

MARCH

27 S'hai Badminton Assn., Championship Finals, Country Club, 5.30
27 Engineering Society Meeting, 5.45
27 Grand Sacred Concert, Community Church, 9
27 *Port Arthur and Dairen leased to Russia (1898)*

Coming Events

MARCH

28 S'hai. Badminton Assn., Championship Finals, Country Club, 5.30
28 B.U.S.C., Literary: 'Hebrew Poetry' by Rev. Brown, 4B Medhurst Apts., 5.30
28 A.W.C. bridge and mahjongg, 3
29 K.D.S. Ann. mtg. at 158 Edinburgh Rd., Tea 4.30, Business 5.30
29 Union Ch. ann. mtg. and supper, 7.30
29 Ex-Gunners' Dinner, Cockpit
30 Rotary Club, Metropole Hotel, 12.30
30 Ann. mtg. of Shanghai Auxiliary, of Brit., Foreign, Amer. Bible Societies, Un. Ch. Hall. Tea 5, meeting 5.45
30 For. Y. Debate: 'Machine Enslaves Mankind,' 9
30 'Carmen,' Grand Opera, Lyceum, 9
30 Indian Merchants Association meeting
31 S'hai R.U.F.C. Dance, Country Club.
31 Shanghai Camera Club, Meeting and Lecture. 330 Szechuen Road, 9

APRIL

1 21st Anniv. Formation R.A.F. and R.A.F.A. Reunion. Dinner, 'The Dome'
1 Oxford & Cambridge Society Dinner
1 Dinner Dance, Floorshow, C.S.F., 8.30
1 'Carmen,' Grand Opera, Lyceum. 9
2 Municipal Orchestra Symphony Concert, Lyceum, 5.15
2 'Carmen,' Grand Opera, Lyceum, 9
2 Brith Trumpeldor Dance, A.W.C., 9
4 A.W.C. Library Tiffin, 12.30
5 Cathedral School Old Boys' Assn. Annual Dinner, Air Defence Club
6 Rotary Club, Metropole Hotel, 12.30
6 Rummage Sale, U.C. Hall, Limbless Fund
6 S.W.A. Meeting, C.S.F., 4
6 Royal Asiatic Society Lecture, 5.30
6 Reel Club Dance, Race Club, 9
6 S. M. Orchestra, 1st Performance 'Sacred Music,' Lyceum, 9.15
8 B.W.A. Easter Party, 4.15
8 S.M. Orchestra, 2nd Performance 'Sacred Music,' Lyceum, 3
8 Ladies' Interport Hockey. Hongkong vs. Shanghai, Kiaochow Park, 3.15
9 Ladies' Interport Hockey. Hongkong vs. The Rest, Kiaochow Park, 3.15
10 Ladies' Interport Hockey, Hongkong vs. The Greens, Kiaochow Park, 3.15
11 Cathedral Boys' School Gymkhana, Ascot Riding School, 2.30
11 A.W.C. Literary Dept. meeting, 4.45
11 Interport Dance, Race Club, 9.30
12 Theosophical Society, 75 Jessfield Road, Public Lecture, 6
12 Piano-Recital by Hans Baer, A.W.C.
13 Rotary Club, Metropole Hotel, 12.30
14 Bateman-King, 'Through the Looking Glass,' Lyceum
15 Bateman-King, 'Through the Looking Glass,' Lyceum
17 Cradle Bridge/Mahjongg, Y.M.C.A., 3
18 A.W.C. Musical Prog. Dupont, 4.45
18 A.D.C. 'Room for Two,' Lyc., 9.15
19 A.D.C. 'Room for Two,' Lyc., 9.15
20 Concert, Community Church, 9
20 A.D.C. 'Room for Two,' Lyc., 9.15
21 'St. George's Ball, C.S.F., 9.30
22 'St. George's Children's Party, Country Club, 4
22 A.D.C. 'Room for Two,' Lyc., 9.15
25 A.W.C. Bridge and Mahjongg, 3

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Those Unanswerable Questions

To the Editor of the
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SIR,—A DISSENTER makes a kindly appeal for more humane behaviour all round, but supports it with not very inspiring arguments. We are invited to behave better because the Earth on which we live is so insignificant compared with other parts of the universe. How many votes would a candidate get who appealed to a constituency on the ground that compared with other constituencies they were a very unimportant lot? There is a saying "The best goods are done up in small packets" and certainly the Koh-i-noor takes up less space than a ton of coal. And on the assumption that the earth has been "made," why should it be uninteresting to its maker?

Again "That fighters intent on killing each other ask God for help is a farce." But most quarrelling children run to their father clamouring loudly for judgment each in his own favour. They may get their heads knocked together for their pains.

A DISSENTER puts three to him unanswerable questions concerning our use after we are dead, the stage of development at which we die, and the possibility of finding and recognizing each other after death. They are not very original questions and that A DISSENTER has not found the possible answers satisfactory is not a complete argument to put forward that "a second life is improbable."

As to "Is it not extremely foolish to make our lives unpleasant while hoping for something better in a future life, impossible to imagine?—if A DISSENTER will look around him, even in such a circumscribed area as Shanghai, he can hardly fail to notice that the people who openly profess their belief in "something better" hereafter are among those who are making the strongest efforts for the alleviation of human misery today.

A CONFORMER.

Shanghai, Mar. 26.

The Refugees:

And the Volunteer Corps

To the Editor of the
"NORTH-CHINA DAILY NEWS"

SIR,—I remember not so long ago, in a speech made by the Commandant of the Shanghai Volunteer Corps, an appeal was made for the enlistment of more recruits to swell the ranks of the Corps. In this connection, I wonder if any attempts were made to sign up some of the men from the ranks of the large number of recently-arrived European refugees.

I am positive that there is a wealth of military talent among these men and there should not be any difficulty in getting them to enlist considering that the opportunity would provide them with many adherent benefits. For those not militarily inclined, the special police department of the S.M.C. or the French Concession would be equally interesting.

By enlisting in any of the aforementioned volunteer units, they would be able to come into contact with a good number of Shanghai foreigners thereby giving them a golden opportunity not only to fraternize but to improve their English language. At the same time, it would provide them with a little diversion and recreation and help them to forget their troubles.

Perhaps my suggesion is a little belated, however, I think a little publicity in your columns would not be amiss.

F. N. W. D.

Shanghai, March 25.

Anti-Spitting Campaign:

Belgium Points the Way

To the Editor of the
"NORTH-CHINA DAILY NEWS"

SIR,—If a constable in Belgium sees a person throw the smallest piece of paper on the street he makes him pick it up again.

Of course, in the case of spitting in Shanghai this procedure would have its difficulties! But it points the way. In Belgium, and other countries, you may live for years without seeing anyone spit.

To appeal to the coolies' sense of sanitation may also show some good results in the course of generations!

The alacrity and smartness with which the Chinese working man doffs his cap and makes his bow on the Garden Bridge shows how intelligent he is. He would never dream of spitting anywhere near such places because he knows it would be unwise.

Therefore it is plain sailing.—

IF YOU DON'T WEAKEN.

Shanghai, Mar. 26.

Bouillabaisse:

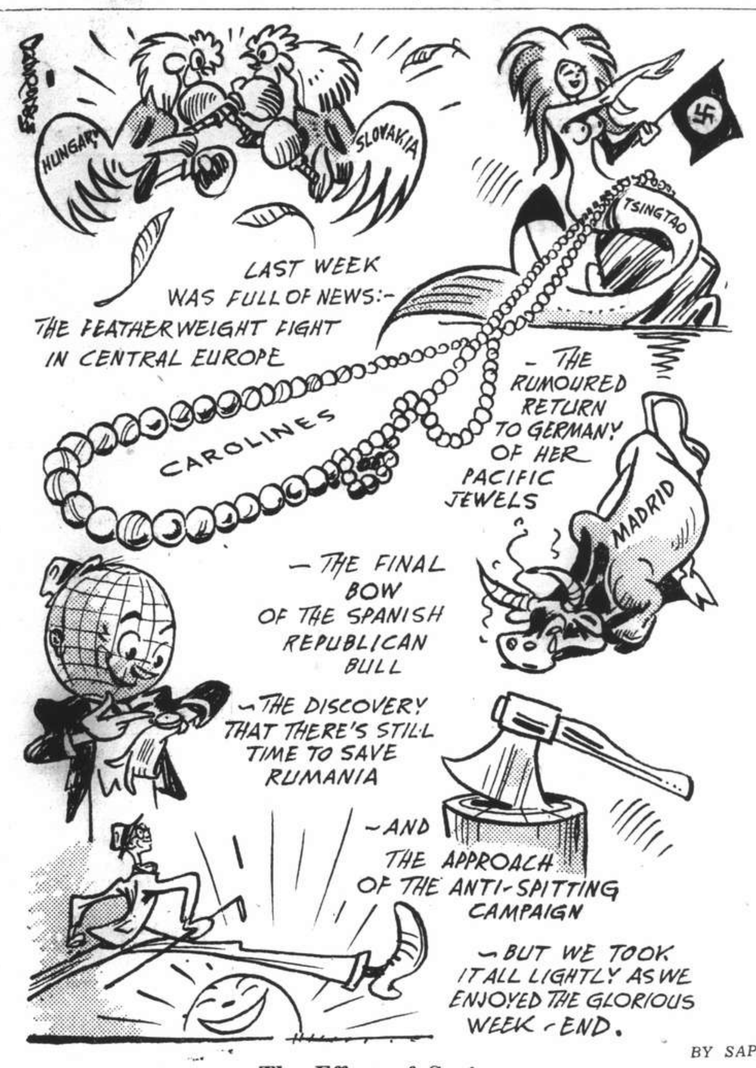
The Recipe Wanted

To the Editor of the
"NORTH-CHINA DAILY NEWS"

SIR,—I wonder if any of your readers would be kind enough to give me the proper recipe for Bouillabaisse?

GOURMET.

Shanghai, Mar. 26.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- THE RUMOURED RETURN TO GERMANY OF HER PACIFIC JEWELS
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- THE FINAL BOW OF THE SPANISH REPUBLICAN BULL
- THE DISCOVERY THAT THERE'S STILL TIME TO SAVE RUMANIA
- AND THE APPROACH OF THE ANTI-SPITTING CAMPAIGN
- BUT WE TOOK IT ALL LIGHTLY AS WE ENJOYED THE GLORIOUS WEEK-END.

BY SAPAJOU

The Effect of Spring

It is Better to Pray and Work

Sermon Preached in Holy Trinity Cathedral By Dean Trivett at Evensong on March 12

TEXT:—"*And they said one to another, Behold this dreamer cometh.*" Genesis 37: 39.

WE can hardly wonder that Joseph was the favourite son of his father, quite apart from the fact he was a son of his old age and the first-born of his beloved Rachel. For Joseph is the only one of the twelve who arouses our sympathies and really interests us. He attracts us from the very beginning. The others are like the minor characters in a play. They are stage accessories, and serve as padding, scaffolding for the story. At the best they are only commonplace figures with no particular gifts or qualities, and no character to stamp their individuality on our minds. But in Joseph, from first to last, there is something that fastens attention. He is never common or vulgar. His life is all romance, painted in colours as vivid as those of his famous coat of many colours. Stranger than fiction is his story. Full of lights and shadows, thrilling incidents and hair-breadth escapes. It has often all the pathos of a tragedy. It has always the magic of a fairy tale. It has rich lessons to teach us, and at times reaches almost New Testament levels.

Joseph's life commenced with dreams.—Wild absurd dreams they seemed to those who heard them. But it passed through stern realities and awful tribulation which put those dreams to flight and indeed seemed to reduce them to dismal mockery. But at last through the way of patient duty and prayerful trust in God, his life realized that which he had dreamed,—or if not quite that, something better. And because of all these things, it is a story full of inspiration to all who will study its lessons.

The Dreamer

Think of the boy and his dreams. "This dreamer," as he is called by his brethren. "Behold this dreamer cometh." His brothers said it with a scornful laugh that was half anger. No doubt they were jealous of their father's preference for the boy. Nor, full grown men though they were, did they enjoy the dream that showed the whole lot of them kneeling at his feet doing him homage. We can imagine they called him a stupid, vain, useless dreamer, and advised him to act and not waste his time in dreaming. No doubt his dreams had an element of the ridiculous about them and did show that the boy was not free from vanity. But there was a real greatness in him which his brothers entirely failed to see or understand. He was an idealist. Joseph had imagination, aspiration, and ambition. These gave the impetus to his dreaming. To be called a dreamer in the sense Joseph was one was a compliment, for there is a sense, and it was true of Joseph, where every hope that paints our sky and gives spring to our feet, is a dream. It is good that we should have dreams. He who never dreams is never fully awake to the realities of life, and its possibilities.

Joseph dreams, but life moves on. As a boy he has his wonderful dreams and that is a hopeful sign. But many things must happen before his dreams come true. We follow him out in the rough world where dreams if they are only dreams melt away, where only courage and stamina carry a man forward to success, and where faith enables him to stand.

And so we are shown the dreamer as he comes to grips with life's hard work and warfare. If Joseph had imagined the world was waiting at his feet, he has a sudden and rude awakening,—the awakening that comes to most people who start out with a high opinion of their own abilities. He soon finds that:

"The heights by great men oft attained
Were never won by sudden flight
But they were slowly climbing up
While we were sleeping through the night."

Joseph's Training

God has refining fires for his finest instruments. He sometimes sends us into hard places to fit us for our aspirations, to purge away the dross and temper the steel of character. And God sent Joseph to a hard school to learn humility and a few other necessary lessons. Instead of becoming the prince of his dreams, he finds himself a slave; a piece of human property, bought and sold,—a kitchen drudge. Then in prison on a false charge, and kept there without hope of release, year after year, for fourteen long years,—apparently forgotten. And this discipline made him. It took away the last shreds of self complacency and self conceit. It skimmed off the froth of his vanity and left the more substantial stuff, the true spirit beneath. This discipline brought out the qualities of strength and endurance, of courage and faith, which might have perished in a world of caresses and self indulgence. And this brings us to the last scene, the time when dreams come true. We see the dreamer fulfilling his dreams by patient, painstaking, productive work. Joseph had the right stuff in him, the stuff that hardship cannot kill. Joseph's character was gold, but it had to be purified in the fire. It had to go through a hard process before it was shaped and fitted, an instrument ready for the work to which God had called him.

Joseph's training and preparation should encourage us,—teach us endurance and patience. How many men and women finding themselves thwarted and balked as Joseph did, finding circumstances apparently so much against them, would have given up, abandoned their ideals, lost heart and courage, and every incentive, and remained just where they had fallen, if indeed they might not sink even lower. But not so Joseph. He goes on doing all the lowly services with a willing heart and to the best of his power and ability, and he wins his way slowly into notice by his diligence, obedience, and fidelity in those humble duties to which he is appointed.

Does His Duty

He was helped and strengthened by his consciousness of the presence of God at all times. We read, "The Lord was with Joseph." He never forgets that God sees him in Egypt as he saw him in the land of Canaan, that his watchful eyes are upon him in prison as they were in his father's house. Look at him there in the prison house. He keeps himself pure, he does his duty, he works hard, he cheerfully serves those about him, and he wins respect. He is given responsibility. Promotion comes to him, it cannot be kept back. He has both ability and application, he can be trusted.

And at last the dreams come true. The manner of it is told in one of the most charming and delightful of all Bible stories. The dreams of Pharoah's servants, and Joseph's interpretation of them, leading as it does after another period of trial in patience, to his great opportunity, and the interpretation of the dream of the great rulers of Egypt, Pharoah himself. Joseph is raised to a position of authority and usefulness. He is second only to Pharoah in honour, and the Saviour of the country. Then, like a page from a fairy story, comes the literal fulfilment of the dream, when his brethren in their search for food, come to bow before Joseph the Governor of Egypt. And at long last the purpose of it all is seen. Long before the need—years before—God was preparing deliverance for his people. In the purpose of God there is reason for the chosen race to have the sojourn in Egypt.

And then the way prepared, begins the 400 years sojourn in Egypt, from which Israel emerged a nation.

Dreams Come True

But this is by the way. My point is that God in his own way, and not in the way the boy had imagined, made his dreams come true. All this happened some 4,000 years ago, but I would premise that the story in its essential features is repeated in every day and generation. And so in closing, let us pick out one or two of the lessons the incident teaches, and that we do well to consider.

First of all do not despise the dreamer, the men with ideals, for,—

"You may grind them in the self same mill
You may bind them hand and brow
But the poet will follow the rainbow still
And the clod will follow the plow."

No man can afford to be without ideals. In business you would count him a poor man, who plodded along without any ideas, or aims, or aspirations. It is equally true of all life. We must have great hopes and aspirations, great glorious dreams of the world that is to be, when the kingdoms of the world have become the kingdom of the Lord.

Must Have Faith

But it is not enough to have ideals, to dream.—We must have faith to work to that ideal, to do the things at hand thoroughly, working the very best we can in the present, but with the ideal always as the ultimate aim. The sooner we learn Joseph's lesson, the better. Success only comes by patience and sacrifice, by application and hard work. True, some have ten talents and some only one, but do not forget, the old fable of the hare and the tortoise has its appeal because it has its counterpart in experience. The race is not always to the swift, nor the battle to the strong. The battle of life is not won always by the man with extraordinary gifts, or exceptional luck; more often they are won by those who can bear burdens without flinching, who can get up with a hopeful face after every fall, and who however lowly their lot, put their hearts into their work and do it to the best of their might and ability.

And lastly remember that all work is done under the eyes of the all seeing God; and though his purposes often lead us in strange ways, never—even in the prison house—are we out of his sight and care. However humble be the task we are given, we shall do it well if we realize that the all-seeing eye is upon us, that failure hinders his purposes. Pray to him for guidance, look to him for light, ask him for daily strength, try to live in all things as in his sight. It is all very well to dream as Joseph dreamed, but it is better to pray and to work, for only in that way do dreams come true,—and that is what the story teaches us all.

Trade Pact Between Germany and Holland

Berlin, Mar. 25.

An agreement, which it is stated will increase the volume of trade between Germany and Holland, was signed today. It remains in force until the end of 1940.—Reuter.

Seventy Years Ago

FROM THE "NORTH-CHINA DAILY NEWS" OF MARCH 27, 1869

A correspondent calls attention to a very unpleasant, but very important subject, on which we have more than once commented at length, ourselves. It is an undoubted fact, as Vigilans says, that our servants do permit the accumulation of most unwholesome garbage heaps in our back premises; and that we are disinclined to make the periodical tours of inspection, without which all orders on the subject will be useless. The idea of giving policemen the free run of our compound is not, at first, welcome; but it is worth consideration. Their inspection might check other abuses, besides garbage heaps; various eccentricities—gambling, opium-smoking and pilfering to wit—would become more difficult; and certainly the sanitary condition of the settlement would be improved.

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Berlin, Mar. 26.

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The newly designed "Zuendapp" engine used only 10 litres of fuel for every 100 kilometres.—Trans-Ocean.

Lesson Sermon

First Church of Christ, Scientist.

"Reality" is the subject of the Lesson Sermon read in all Churches of Christ Scientist, throughout the world on Sunday, March 26. Golden Text:—Philippians 4:8. "Whatsoever things are true, whatsoever things are honest, whatsoever things are just, whatsoever things are pure, whatsoever things are lovely, whatsoever things are of good report; if there be any virtue, and if there be any praise, think on these things." Among the citations which comprise the Lesson Sermon is the following from The Bible:—"Wherefore do ye spend money for that which is not bread? and your labour for that which satisfieth not? hearken diligently unto me, and eat ye that which is good, and let your soul delight itself in fatness." (Isaiah 55:2). The Lesson Sermon also includes the following passage from the Christian Science textbook, Science and Health with Key to the Scriptures," by Mary Baker Eddy:—"There is but one way to heaven, harmony, and Christ in divine Science shows us this way. It is to know no other reality—to have no other consciousness of life—than good, God and His reflection, and to rise superior to the so-called pain and pleasure of the senses." (Page 242).

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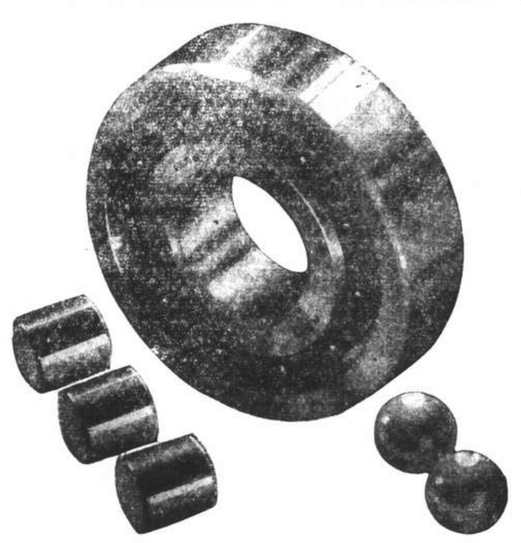

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WOMAN'S PAGE

A London Letter

By Olive Dun

London, Feb. 26.

I met a girl journalist yesterday who had to follow Queen Mary round the British Industries Fair at Earl's Court. Her Majesty arrived at 19.15 and left at a quarter to two. She looked at every stall and frequently stayed for five or 10 minutes at some of them. Everyone except Queen Mary was dead beat. One of the police escort said to my friend, "She gets me down. I can't do it the way she does." My friend went home feeling as if she took a No. 12 shoe and each shoe had a hundredweight of lead in it.

Truly, Queen Mary is a wondrous lady. She bought almost recklessly handbags and manicure sets by the score, textiles, plate-glass, china, toys, a new type of specially light suitcase, saying that "it would be so useful for aeroplane travel," though I am sure she never had been or is likely to go in an aeroplane. But her best stroke when admiring some heavy lace gowns, was her remark that "it would be a good idea next year to have a different colour scheme for day, afternoon and evening wear." This is the sort of thing which makes Royalty beloved, at least among dressmakers

For the rest, I need not enter into details about the Fair, of which you will have read elsewhere, except that I never saw such a beautiful collection of things at any of these exhibitions before, with nothing "arty" or "stunty," but everything a fine example of the best British workmanship, and that the whole Royal Family have laboured indefatigably to make the Fair a success, to the applause of all except the unhappy journalists who follow them.

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Royal Transatlantic Visit

How hard Royalty has to work is exemplified by the programme of the King and Queen's visit to Canada, now published. There are 11,000,000 Canadians who all want to see them, and in their four-week stay they will travel 8,000 miles, crossing the whole continent twice. For their protection certain stipulations have had to be made, as that there must be only one official lunch or dinner each day, no conferring of degrees, and no private hospitalities. Even thus the strain of continuous limelight will be enormous. Think of the weariness produced by even one official parade on the ordinary individual, and then imagine it continuing uninterruptedly for four weeks. And apart from visits to big towns, the Royal train will stop as often as possible at smaller places, at each of which there will be a 10 minutes stop and a crowd of leading local inhabitants to be met.

What the programme is to be at Washington will be still more interesting. Accustomed as Americans are to walk into the White House at odd moments and grasp their President by the hand, will they expect to do the same by the King and Queen? And since the visit will certainly cost the United States a considerable sum, may they not feel justly defrauded of their money's worth if they are not allowed to do so? One speaks jestingly, but in fact one is rather overwhelmed by the possibilities of the visit, as one considers the conventional anathemas hurled at another King George by American histories and Independence Day stump orators. Which will now be obliterated. Say what you will, as a commercial proposition Royalty has no equal. What a frightful mistake Mussolini has made in pushing his Royalties so completely into the background.

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Lot of the Shop-Girl

The conditions under which shop-girls work were debated in Parliament this week. Mrs. Hardie, one of the Glasgow M.P.'s, spoke particularly feelingly, having once worked as a shop-girl for 12 hours a day six days a week. She said she was pretty healthy, as proved by the fact that she could stand the hot air of the House of Commons indefinitely, but a very short time in a bargain basement made her feel faint.

Dr. Edith Summerskill, Fulham's Labour Member, said that she never paid her money at a cashier's box without reflecting that, if the Zoo kept its animals similarly cooped up for 60 hours a week, the R.S.P.C.A. would soon have something to say.

Nobody seemed to have anything to say about the girls who live in the tiny tobacconists' stalls on under-draughts must be agonizing. Still, they can sit all the time, whereas the shop-girl is nearly always standing. Flat feet and varicose veins are a common penalty.

The Bill on which debate centred, framed to limit a shop-assistant's hours to 48 a week and 50 over-time in a year, was rejected, not for lack of sympathy, but because negotiations are in progress between the employers' and shop-assistants' organizations, which are believed likely to produce some notable reforms and the Government thought that at least these should be made known before legislation was attempted. Voluntary agreements are usually preferable to the Law's big stick.

Readers of that still fascinating old novel, "All Sorts and Conditions of Men," will remember how Angela introduced all sorts of startling liberties in her dressmaker's shop on Stepney Green, a break in the middle of the morning for open-air exercise, a hot midday meal, some one to read to the girls while they worked. Utopian it seemed. Yet Robert Owen, over a century ago, introduced similar utopianisms into his cotton mill and made a fine financial success of them.

Some of the biggest stores now have introduced amenities for their work-girls, roof gardens and games on them etc. But it cannot be denied that the life of the average shop-girl is extremely trying, the hours long, the conditions exhausting.

The odd thing is that so many of them choose it instead of the really easier and certainly better paid life ground railway platforms. They can barely turn round, and the cold and of domestic service.

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White Lodge's Luck

White Lodge, Richmond Park, where King George V and Queen Mary lived when they were still only "Duke and Duchess of Yornwell and Cork," though it has not been a Royal residence for many years, has been taken on a 50 year's lease by Mrs. Reynolds Albertini, a wealthy American lady whose lavish entertainments at her house in Windsor Great Park are famous. A few years ago she brought a libel action against a Sunday paper which had written about the alleged extravagance of one of these parties in a way which, as the lawyers put it, held her up to "hatred, ridicule and contempt" in the eyes of the proletariat. In fact, Mrs. Albertini is a very warm-hearted, generous woman and if she likes to give vast parties it is all for the good of trade. Now she is going to spend huge sums on White Lodge. It is a comparatively small house, merely 60 rooms, but a Lady chapel is to be made out of the picture gallery, lifts and central heating installed, and of course every room redecorated and refurnished.

One takes a sort of vicarious pleasure in the thought that one at least of these old mansions is to be properly preserved. Another very famous house in Berkeley Square is going to the knackers. This is Lord Rosebery's, scene of so many brilliant evenings when it was owned by that curious Liberal peer who won the Derby, was a genius in foreign affairs, wrote an epoch-making life of Napoleon in odd moments, and drew tears from the House of Lords by his oration on the death of Gladstone. Like his house Lord Rosebery seemed like something strayed over from the 18th century. But the glory of Berkeley Square has gone, with a vast mountain of ugly flats all down one side and most of the remainder given up to shops or estate offices. Such movements and degradations are continuous and inevitable. Within the past century great noblemen still lived in the Strand, and look at it now!

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Baleful B.B.C.

The B. B. C. has been in trouble again over the character of its news broadcasts. Columns of letters have been written to "The Times" about the gloomy diligence with which it picks out every scrap of intelligence about the doings of the dictators which is calculated to send us to bed with dark forebodings. "Is there never any good news?" asks one. And another—"Why always Continental stuff? Does nothing ever happen in the Empire?"

There may be something in the charge, though the B.B.C. is no worse than plenty of newspapers. The trouble is that a broadcaster, strictly limited in time, can only deal in snippets, from which it is hard to get a balanced view. It is really much better to wait for the morning paper. If the news is good, it is a pleasant start for the day, if bad, at least one has not had it to take to bed with one.

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Aims of Women M.P.'s

I seldom turn on the news broadcasts, but I listened with much interest the other evening to a conversation between seven British women M.P.'s and seven American Congress women. The Americans were very curious to know why our women go into Parliament. Dr. Edith Summerskill said she wanted to improve social conditions, Miss Ellen Wilkinson and Lady Davidson, respectively Labour and Conservative, held forth on Mr. Chamberlain's appeasement policy and the importance of doing something for the peace of the world. Only one, Miss Thelma Cazalet, said that she had been inspired to enter public life by the suffragettes. Not a few listeners probably had to look up the word in a dictionary, so ancient does their agitation seem in these days of almost universal liberty.

Yet there are still places where women must fight on. In Turkey it has been decreed that lipstick, nail polish and similar beautifications are unbecoming to girls of real serious purpose in life and should be discarded. It would be interesting to know how far the decree succeeds. The late Ataturk might have enforced it, but hardly his successors. Now that the Turks have let their women out of the harem, there will be no stopping the creatures, certainly not from such an important part of life as the use of lipstick.

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The Charm of Ming

Among the various luminaries which flash across London skies few have ever rivalled Ming, the baby giant panda, in brilliant attractiveness. Although it is only six weeks since she arrived from the western mountains of China, she has already attracted 3,000 more visitors to the Zoo than are usual at this time of year. She is more like a teddy bear than any living creature, and with her clown-like movements, absurd face, and the sweetness of her temper and friendly ways she exerts an instant appeal to young and old. She has become London's Glamour Girl No. 1, and no star in Hollywood (saving, of course, for professional work) has faced so many cameras. Whatever Ming does has become news with a big letter. Last night the "Evening Standard" had pictures of her arriving by motor car at the Zoo from where she sleeps, when she decided, first to climb out of the window and then to get up on the bonnet. Today the "Sunday Graphic" has pictures of her on a chair apparently taking the photograph of a fat little boy and then falling off and scattering the camera. There is a great deal of friendly feeling for the Chinese in England now. But even if there were not, Ming would arouse it. She is the best propagandist ever sent abroad.

Footballer and Cricketer Too

An archway of football boots and cricket bats, held by his colleagues in the two great games, greeted John Arnold, Fulham footballer and Hampshire cricketer, and his bride, Miss Gladys Collins, after their marriage at Southampton at the end of last month.

The Queen in Birmingham

Queen Elizabeth talking to a small boy patient when, with the King, she paid a visit to the Hospital Centre at Birmingham. Their Majesties afterwards went on to the British Industries Fair (Heavy Section) at West Bromwich.

B. W. A.

Monday, Mar. 27.—Badminton. Needlecraft Section at 753 Yu Yuen Road, Flat 7-A, at 10 a.m. Social Service Board 4.45 p.m.

Tuesday, Mar. 28.—Hospital Aid Department 9 to noon.

Wednesday, Mar. 29.—Badminton.

Friday, Mar. 31.—Badminton.

The next bridge and mahjongg afternoon at Headquarters will take place on Thursday, April 6, at 3 p.m. Tables can be booked at the office.

The Musical and Dramatic Section are having an Easter party for children at Headquarters, 12 The Bund, on April 8, at 4.15 p.m. The afternoon's attractions will include talkies, "Mickey Mouse" and "Donald Duck," etc., coloured-cinema show, tea and Easter eggs. All reservations must be in by April 5.

Members are advised that at a meeting of the Executive Committee last Wednesday, Mrs. J. S. Whitney, M.B.E., was elected Chairman of the Association, and Mrs. P. D. G. Gain, Vice-Chairman.

A. W. C.

Members of the American Women's Club are reminded of the bridge and mahjongg tea which has been arranged for tomorrow (Tuesday) afternoon. Play will begin at 3 p.m.

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In many of our large cities, certainly in London, if householders were canvassed as to which was the more crying need, revision of street names or of the numbering of street houses, it is difficult not to think that the popular vote would go to the latter.

In London it often seems as if the numbering had been devised to give as much trouble as possible, so that the hunt for a house one has to visit for the first time is often rather like tackling a crossword puzzle; moreover, a puzzle devised on a new principle. No discernible rule exists and each street goes its own sweet way. Sometimes the odd numbers run along one side and the even along the other, sometimes not. There may be numbers round a corner which yet purport to belong to the street in question.

Some houses or, anyhow, doorways will be omitted from the numbering scheme; others show a name such as The Cedars dimly engraved upon a fanlight or gatepost. Many numbers are defaced wholly or in part. Again the searcher may be stymied by finding the figures 1 and 300 both at the same end at opposite corners.

This may be good for the owners of taxi-meters—for taxi-drivers may be as ignorant of the ways of any particular street as the desperate guest seated within. But it is not good for tempers, for shoe leather, for best clothes on a wet, dark night, or for dinners kept waiting while the game proceeds.

Street names in London have lately been altered, and there are loudly vocal differences of opinion as to the benefit of such alteration to ordinary people. The numbers still remain haphazard and obscure. One thing is open to those who wish their visitors to have the maximum of guidance. We can now buy either letters or numbers of moulded glass at 9d. a unit. These are strong and lasting, easy to fix and to keep clean, and plainly visible by night and by day. The thoughtful hostess whose house door is not above suspicion in this respect will be likely to avail herself of so simple a means of aiding visitors.

Limbless Fund

A Rummage Sale Is In the Offing

Clothing and articles of any kind are solicited for a rummage sale to be held in the Union Church Hall on April 6 at 9.30 a.m., the proceeds being in aid of the Limbless Fund. Gifts for sale may be left at the Union Church Hall or can be collected, if desired, by telephoning the following members of the committee: Mrs. O. G. R. Beynon (77676), Mrs. K. Harrop (22596), Mrs. J. E. Rankin (70410), Mrs. W. H. Train (22090), Mrs. A. Sharp (76150), and Mrs. A. Sinclair (19008).

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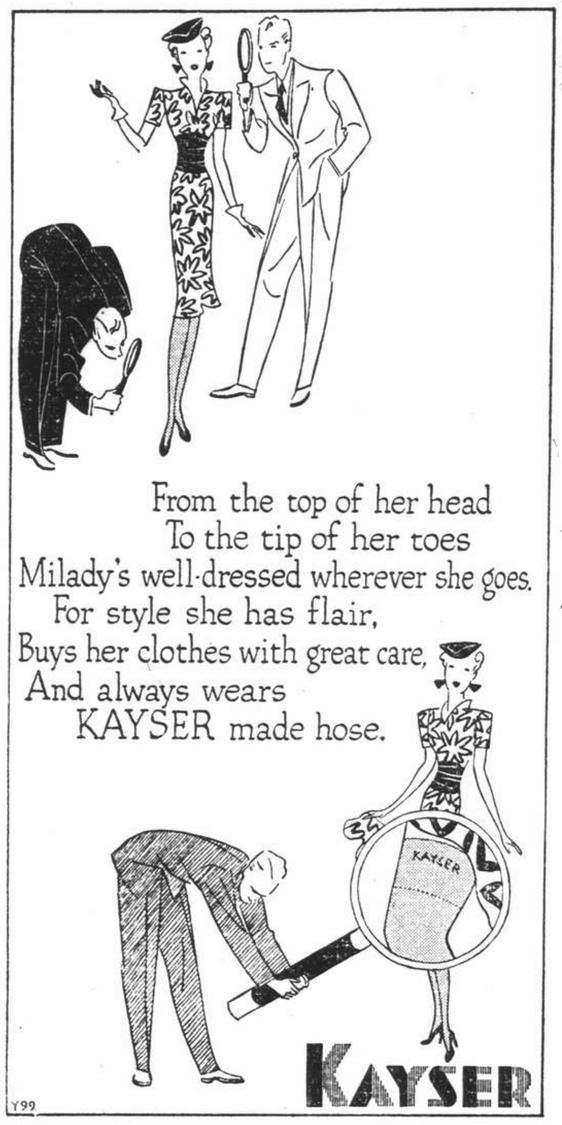
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THE SPORTS PAGE

British Navy Defeats French Forces by Big Margin

High Standard of Football Seen as Winners Gain Second Division Championship

PLAYING constructively all the time, the British Navy yesterday showed the French Army and the rest of Shanghai just how football should be played. Although the French were blocked out for the greater part of the game, they also played a high standard of football but did not have that extra something that goes to making a good team in the face of tremendous odds. The Navy's win by five goals to one on the Race Course puts the team at the top of the Second Division, thus robbing P.T.H. of the Cup and Medals. As the British Navy are at all times visitors and the Schoolboys have played so very well this season, it would seem to be a general opinion that the youngsters should get some reward for their efforts.

The present Navy team is one of the strongest and best that Shanghai has seen for some time whilst the French team is very good individually but lacked the necessary power that the sailors had of working together and playing constructive football.

FRENCH FORCES: — Sethi, Got, Jaques, Roussel, Vinh, Niuel, Le Borgue, Nicolai, Calard, Heloyan, Le Bras.

BRITISH NAVY:—Anthony, Hind, Gilbert, Down, Sartain, Roper, Patton, Morrill, Chappell, Wavish, Lee.

Before commenting on the game a word should be said about the control of the game by the referee. Such offences as tripping, holding, carrying and deliberate handling were allowed to go unpunished with the result that the game lost much of its sporting appeal. A good word must be said for the players on both sides in that they did not take undue advantage of this.

Frenchmen Outclassed

The French kicked off but thanks to the clever footwork of the sailors soon found themselves dispossessed and forced back into their own territory and kept there for the first half of the game.

The passing movements of the British team were thrilling to watch, the forwards never lingering with the ball but placing it nicely out of the reach of their opponents. Thanks to Got in the French back line however the sailors could not get through on the left wing and for the first fifteen minutes they were held at bay but should have scored on more than one occasion.

Morrill and Lee together brought off the first score for the Navy when Morrill robbed Niuel of the ball and passed it over to the outside right who lost no time in getting it past Sethi. A few minutes later Sartain made a very good solo effort by getting through the French defence but in his eagerness to score ran too far to the right and forced a corner off Sethi.

Smooth Passing by Navy

The French players could never get out of their own defence and seven minutes later the best passing movement of the day brought off another good goal. Sartain passed over to Roper who centred to Chappell who had an open goal in front of him and had only, to trip the ball into the back of the net. Two goals down, the French tried their best to get through and at last managed to get down to the Navy's goal area where in the midst of a scramble Gilbert handled the ball within the penalty area. Le Borgue took the kick but in attempting to place the ball in the corner of the net, put it instead yards past the upright.

There was no more scoring in the first half but the restart saw a reorganisation in the French team. Le Borgue dropped back to Centre Half whilst Le Bras came to the inside position. Although this change over strengthened the French defence it did not stop the rot and within five minutes Morrill had taken a pass from Patton and with a left foot drive put in a hard shot that had the French keeper beaten all the way. Although the French were now playing with their backs to the sun, they seldom managed to get out of their own ground, being robbed of the ball on every occasion.

Fine Footwork

Le Bragues, however, with long clearance shots managed to get the ball down to his forwards but he was too well marked to be of much use. After twenty minutes the Sailors again scored by a commined passing movement when Morrill centred to Chappell who passed the ball out to Lee on the wing. The latter in a fine piece of footwork nipped around Got and passed in to Wavish who practically ran the ball into the net for the fourth goal.

With only ten minutes to go the sailors slackened tremendously but Morrill made another of his well directed left foot drives and landed the ball in the net for the fifth goal to the Navy.

From the Centre the French team dashed away into a surprise attack and got through the sailors' half line where Le Bras crossed over to Calard who shot the ball through between the backs and scored the Frenchmen's only point. After this the play was confined to centre field, the Navy obviously playing for time and keeping their opponents at bay.

Cup Winners Beat Rowing Club

Eighth Consecutive Win Gained by Lido in 3rd Division Football

Lido, winners of the Junior and Skottowe Cups, stretched their chain of victories in the Third Division to eight by taking the measure of the Rowing Club XI, 6-2, at Kiaochow Park yesterday afternoon. A big crowd of more than 2,000 spectators were on hand to see the Chinese win.

Although fielding four reserve players, Lido displayed distinct superiority over the Oarsmen in every department of the game.

Oarsmen Defend Well

The Oarsmen defended well but a bad mistake by Goal-keeper Godkin, who fumbled Hyui's weak ground shot, gave the Chinese the lead in the 15th minute. The ball slipped through the hands of the keeper.

Lido continued to press and threatened to score on many occasions. However, Godkin redeemed himself by effecting two good saves from Hyui.

In the 25th minute Tsao crossed over a high pass. The ball soared across Godkin's goal for Chang to dash up and convert with a fine placement to the far corner of the net.

From a breakaway, less than five minutes after the second goal, the Club tallied their shot. Smith was sent away. The winger beat the Chinese back but lost the ball to Cheng, goal-keeper. The ball was picked up by Harris who lost no time to lodge it into the net before Cheng could recover his position.

LIDO:—T. Y. Cheng, N. Z. Lee, N. L. Meng, K. L. Yang, F. C. Tsan, V. D. Yung, C. T. Tsao, K. S. Suen, Z. Kiang, V. K. Hyui, M. S. Chang.

ROWING CLUB:—S. Godkin, L. D. Beattie, J. Bether, J. Larsen, E. J. Murr, R. A. Dodd, R. C. J. Harris, R. Burn, C. S. Kimber, A. Harvey, E. G. Smith.

Home Soccer Tables

English League

FIRST DIVISION

	P.	W.	D.	L.	F.	A.	Pts.
Everton	32	22	3	7	71	36	47
Wolverhampton	36	17	8	7	66	26	42
Derby	35	17	7	11	59	55	41
Aston Villa	34	15	7	12	63	47	37
Middlesborough	33	15	7	11	69	56	37
Charlton	33	16	5	12	57	48	37
Arsenal	34	14	9	11	44	33	37
Stoke	34	13	9	12	56	57	35
Liverpool	34	12	11	11	52	54	35
Grimsby	33	12	9	12	47	57	33
Bolton	32	11	11	10	54	47	33
Preston	32	12	9	11	47	50	33
Leeds	33	13	7	13	51	57	33
Sunderland	32	12	7	14	45	53	31
Manchester	33	9	12	12	46	56	30
Brentford	33	11	7	15	44	61	29
Portsmouth	32	8	12	12	35	52	28
Chelsea	33	11	6	16	58	67	28
Blackpool	32	9	11	14	40	57	27
Huddersfield	36	10	6	18	45	47	26
Leicester	35	8	10	17	37	65	26
Birmingham	29	9	5	15	52	70	23

SECOND DIVISION

Blackburn	33	20	4	9	75	45	44
Newcastle	35	17	8	10	56	39	42
West Brom	34	17	6	11	65	61	40
Sheffield U.	35	15	10	9	50	36	40
Luton T.	33	18	4	11	68	51	40
Tottenham	34	15	9	9	56	46	39
Chesterfield	34	15	9	10	53	42	39
Coventry	33	16	6	11	49	39	38
Sheffield W.	33	15	8	10	70	51	38
Burnley	36	14	8	14	42	46	36
Manchester	33	16	4	13	79	67	36
Fulham	32	13	9	10	49	42	35
Millwall	34	12	10	12	59	48	34
Bradford	34	10	12	12	52	64	32
West Ham.	33	12	8	13	60	46	32
Plymouth	33	12	7	14	47	45	31
Southampton	34	11	8	15	47	61	30
Bury	35	10	9	16	55	65	29
Swansea	32	8	10	14	41	64	26
Notts F.	34	7	9	18	42	75	23
Norwich	32	10	2	20	40	80	22
Tranmere	34	4	6	25	34	87	14

THIRD DIVISION (SOUTHERN)

Newport	34	20	8	6	53	29	48
Brighton	34	16	8	10	55	39	40
Reading	34	14	11	9	61	47	39
Crystal Palace	32	18	8	9	56	48	33
Watford	33	15	8	10	53	40	38
Bristol City	34	15	8	11	81	47	38
Queen's P.R.	35	14	9	10	63	42	37
Cardiff	34	14	8	12	52	48	36
Notts C.	31	14	7	10	47	36	35
Aldershot	33	12	10	11	40	51	34
Swindon	33	13	7	13	54	56	33
Southend	32	13	7	12	57	52	33
Northampton	34	13	6	15	49	57	32
Mansfield	34	11	9	14	42	54	31
Exeter	34	10	9	15	54	79	29
Ipswich	32	9	11	12	30	42	29
Bournemouth	36	10	9	17	50	57	29
Torquay	32	10	8	14	49	52	28
Port Vale	29	10	6	13	43	47	26
Bristol Rovers	37	8	10	15	39	43	26
Clapton Orient	32	8	9	15	36	42	25
Walsall	32	6	8	18	27	58	20

THIRD DIVISION (NORTHERN)

Barnsley	34	25	5	4	80	26	55
Doncaster	33	15	12	6	61	39	42
Oldham	35	16	4	13	60	50	40
Bradford City	33	17	6	10	69	45	40
Crewe A.	34	18	3	13	75	54	39
Stockport	33	16	7	10	70	42	39
Southport	31	14	10	7	58		
Hull City	34	15	8	11	75	60	38
Chester	33	14	8	11	71	62	36
Rotherham	35	14	7	15	58	57	35
Halifax	34	11	13	10	42	42	35
Barrow	34	14	6	14	55	54	34
New Brighton	34	13	7	14	56	59	33
Lincoln City	31	11	9	14	62	72	31
Rochdale	34	11	8	14	74	65	31
Wrexham	35	13	6	16	59	72	30
Gateshead	35	10	10	15	56	57	30
Carlisle	33	12	5	17	56	91	29
Darlington	36	10	7	19	52	81	26
Hartlepools	34	10	4	20	48	83	24
York	31	8	8	15	46	58	24
Accrington S.	36	5	5	26	52	86	13

Scottish League

FIRST DIVISION

Rangers	33	23	7	3	106	49	53
Falkirk	34	17	7	10	63	56	41
Celtic	31	16	7	8	88	46	39
Hearts	30	17	5	11	90	61	39
Queen O'South.	33	16	7	10	61	55	39
Aberdeen	33	17	6	10	80	54	39
Hamilton A.	34	16	5	13	58	64	37
St. Johnstone	34	15	5	14	74	77	35
Kilmarnock	32	13	8	11	63	70	34
Motherwell	32	14	5	13	72	75	33
Partick	33	14	4	15	64	75	32
Ayr	34	12	8	14	63	74	32
Clyde	32	14	3	15	66	64	31
Hibernian	32	12	6	14	64	60	30
Third Lanark	32	10	7	15	70	62	27
Arbroath	35	9	8	18	47	73	26
Queen's Park	33	10	5	18	53	75	25
St. Mirren	33	9	6	18	50	73	24
Albion	33	9	5	19	56	86	23
Raith Rovers	34	9	2	23	59	91	20

"N.C.D.N." Photo.

Waterworks Football in Yangtszepoo

Meeting on the Waterworks football field in Yangtszepoo yesterday morning, the foreign staff of the firm eked out a 3-2 victory over the Chinese staff in a game that was hotly contested all the way.

Persistence Wins For Portsmouth

Huddersfield Makes Error Of Relying on Early Lead In Cup Semi-final

SPECIAL TO THE "N.C.D.N."

London, Mar. 25.

Nearly 60,000 spectators were present at Highbury when Portsmouth beat Huddersfield by 2-1 in the semi-final of the F. A. Cup. Huddersfield were boisterous at the start, making good use of the wind behind them.

Portsmouth conceded the first goal to be scored against them in the recent Cup competition when Barclay made a superb first-timer with his left foot, from a low centre by Beasley, in the 23rd minute, to put Huddersfield one up.

Earlier in the game, Portsmouth had a sensational escape when Barclay weaved down the middle and passed the ball to Price, who shot straight at the goal-keeper from two yards out.

At half-time, Huddersfield was leading by 1-0.

Portsmouth, quicker on the ball when play was resumed, worked splendidly together, attacking for long periods.

Huddersfield made the mistake of relying on the lead, neglecting to attack.

Two Men Tricked

Hesford, Huddersfield goalie, saved brilliantly when he dived full-length on the ground to stop a shot from Worrall.

Then twelve minutes from the finish, Barlow tricked two men and beat the Huddersfield goalie with a great cross drive with his left foot, making the score 1-1.

Hesford again saved brilliantly from Worrall, and from McAlinden, before Barlow and Parker passing perfectly, made an opening for Anderson, who met the ball with his left foot and scored a dramatic winner for Portsmouth, six minutes from the end.

Portsmouth won through sheer persistency and staying power.—Reuter.

Soccer Results from England Corrected

Four results in the Third Division (Southern) on Saturday were incorrectly despatched from England, according to a message received here yesterday, which states that the correct results were:

THIRD DIVISION (SOUTHERN)

Bristol Rovers 2, Swindon Town 0
Cardiff City 5, Crystal Palace 0
Ipswich Town 1, Watford 1
Mansfield Town 5, Northampton T. 1

English Soccer Clubs Win Against Scots

Celtic Unexpectedly Lose To Birmingham

London, Mar. 25.

Three friendly football matches were played today between teams in the 1st Division of the English League and the Scottish League.

Of this number, two were won by English League teams, who acted as hosts to the Scots.

Birmingham created a surprise by trouncing the powerful Celtic XI by six goals to one.

Charlton won by the same margin against Partick Thistle.

The only victory scored by the Scots was registered by Hearts, who trimmed Middlesbrough by 4-1.—Reuter.

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Veteran Pitcher Dies

San Diego, Mar. 25.

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The 34-year-old hurler was reported ready to sign his 1939 contract today after being one of the most stubborn holdouts this year.—United Press.

Golf in California

Fresno, Calif, Mar. 25.

The second annual San Joaquin Valley amateur golf championship tournament opened in Fresno today with more than 200 of the Valley's crack players taking part. Bob Railsback of Hanford, the 1938 champion, is favoured to repeat his feat of last year.—United Press.

Lido Celebrates Success

To celebrate success in football, cross-country and walking competitions during the past few months, the Lido Recreation Club held a very large tea dance yesterday evening. No less than 800 persons were invited to attend, including the officials of the Shanghai Football Association, referees, and senior members of the different teams.

Mr. W. T. Kao, President of Lido, made a short but appropriate speech in which he highly praised the S.F.A. as well as the referees for the manner in which they enforced the rules of the game to the utmost.

Mr. Yu Ya-ching was the next to speak and finally Mr. C. L. Aitchisor, President of the Shanghai Referees' Association, delivered a speech, praising the Lido team for its splendid record.

The following is a list of the records made by Lido so far this season:—

THIRD DIVISION

"S" Football Club	20-0
Tung Wen	13-0
Vitiaz	12-0
Public, Thomas Hanbury	5-2
Parks United	9-0
Xaverians	8-0
Russian Club	26-1
Rowing Club	6-2

JUNIOR CUP

R.A.M.C.	13-0
U.T. Party	5-1
Area Details	5-1

SKOTTOWE CUP

Recreation Club	6-2
St. Xavier's	7-5
S.M. Police	4-3

CHARITY MATCH

United Services	3-2

Interport Trial Won By Probables

Women's Hockey Contest At Kiaochow Park

The Probables beat the Possibles in a second ladies interport hockey trial yesterday afternoon at Kiaochow Park by a lone goal scored by Miss D. Eardley in the 10th minute of the first half.

More players were tried out yesterday than on Saturday. As a result, play was of a scrappy type. The redoubtable "Greens" inside trio, Misses D. Eardley, M. Sheridan and N. Kelly, were again outstanding but inclined to pass too much and neglect the two wingers.

The Possibles missed a number of opportunities in the opening stages. Mrs. T. Collaco threw away at least two easy chances of scoring when she hit weakly in the goal-mouth. The Probables, too, wasted opportunities as the inside forwards did too much short passing instead of sending the ball forward and using the two wingers to draw the opposing defence apart.

Next week-end will see the official Interport XI in action, probably playing the Rest of Shanghai on one afternoon and a weak men's team on another.

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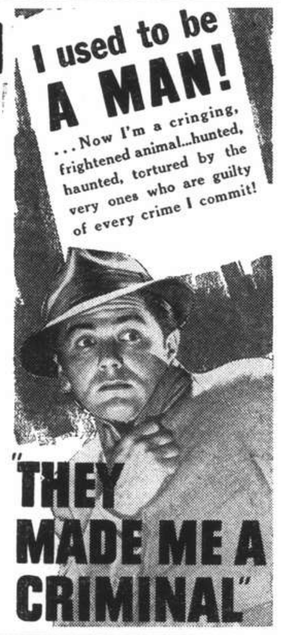
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Wolves to Meet Portsmouth In F.A. Cup Final

Grimsby Handicapped by Injury to Goalie, Beaten 5-0; Westcott Brilliant, Scoring Four Times

SPECIAL TO THE "N.C.D.N."

London, Mar. 25.

WOLVERHAMPTON will meet Portsmouth in the final of the F. A. Cup, to be held at Wembley on April 29, these two teams having won the semi-finals, played today. Weakened by the early injury of their goal-keeper, Moulson, Grimsby Town, playing with ten men for three-quarters of the game, went down badly to Wolverhampton, losing by 5-nil. A crowd of 76,962, paying a total in gate receipts of £8,193, saw the match at Old Trafford, Manchester. Westcott played a brilliant game for the Wolves, scoring four of his side's five goals.

Huddersfield, runners-up last year, were eliminated by Portsmouth, who triumphed by 2-1 before 60,000 football enthusiasts at Highbury. Portsmouth's better staying power enabled them to rally in the second half and overtake Huddersfield, who led by 1-0 at the interval.—Reuter.

Manchester, Mar. 25.

Over 70,000 spectators attended the semi-final of the F.A. Cup played at Old Trafford, between Wolverhampton and Grimsby, which was won by the former by 5-0.

Both teams made several strong attacks soon after the start, with Grimsby the more dangerous.

Two Players Carried Off

Then came a dramatic moment when Grimsby's goalie, Moulson, daringly flung himself on Dorsett's feet to save. Both players were carried off the field, and Hodgson became Grimsby's goalie.

After a fine inter-passing run with McIntosh, Westcott scored with a shot to the corner of the net, putting the Wolves in the lead in the 30th minute.

Dorsett, Wolves' forward, returned to the field after a quarter of an hour, but Grimsby was still without Moulson.

In the 40th minute, the Wolves increased the lead to 2-0 when Westcott beat two defenders and scored. There was no change in the score at half-time.

Goalie Has Concussion

During the interval, it was ascertained that Moulson, the Grimsby goalie, had a concussion and could not play for the rest of the game.

Two minutes after the interval, Westcott was brought down by a Grimsby defender and Galley scored from the penalty.

The Wolves had little difficulty in maintaining pressure, and the game became farcical.

Westcott obtained the last two goals for the Wolves, within a minute of each other.—Reuter.

Forgotten Men of Football

Pass-Catchers Get Little Credit While Names of Throwers Make Headlines

By HENRY McLEMORE

Los Angeles, Mar. 25.

The forgotten man of sport is the football pass receiver.

He works all year making his passer look good, and all the regard he gets is the right to read in the newspapers how the man who threw the ball to him made six All-America teams and has received four proposals from heiresses seeking the ideal husband.

Try to name five great pass receivers. Try to name four, even, or three, or two, or one. They just don't count. All the public cares about is the fair-haired Cutie who fades back of the line and lets fly with the ball. Your average football spectator forgets entirely that the prettiest pass or the longest pass ever thrown wouldn't be any good if there weren't somebody on the spot to catch it.

I fell to thinking along these lines after reading the build-up for the football game between the New York Giants and an All-star team chosen from the National Professional League. Fully eighty per cent. of the publicity went to Ed Danowski of the Giants and Sammy Baugh of the All-Stars. They are the passers, the hot guys who toss the ball for touchdowns.

Receivers Essential

Steve Owen, coach of the Giants, and I got to talking about passers at Santa Anita and we saw eye to eye.

"The receiver should get a full fifty per cent. of the credit." Owen said. "There never was a great passer who had poor receivers. You can start with Dorais and Rockne, and run right down the line, without finding a passer who became famous with poor catchers. Friedman has his Oosterbaan, Howell his Hutsin, Baugh his Walls, O'Brien his Looney and Clark, and Nave his Krueger. My own Danowski, whom I think is the finest passer who ever lived, would never have made the record he has without Tod Goodwin and Ale Bunett on the catching end."

The passer, Owen said, is like a pampered child. Big, tough men are dropped back to protect him and give him time to make his spectacular throws. But the receiver, the forgotten man, is strictly on his own. No one is sent out to take care of him. He must hustle for himself. He must have speed enough to outdistance his rivals. He must have cunning enough to elude them. And he must have skill enough to take a football on the dead run without dropping or juggling it.

Rose Bowl Example

Take the Rose Bowl game, for example. Southern California beat Duke because a young man named Nave threw a pass to a young man named Krueger in the end zone with but forty seconds to play. Nave got all the credit. His name has been in the headlines ever since, and he was presented with a big gold watch and testimonial banquet. That's fine, and I only hope that the watch keeps time.

But if Nave deserved a watch and a banquet, Krueger ought to have a clock and a meal ticket good for a year. It was Krueger who made that winning play possible. It was he who outsmarted and outran the Duke defenders, just as he had outrun and outsmarted the Notre Dame defence in an earlier game. Krueger was the man the Duke coaches said ruined their chances of victory, not Nave. It was Krueger who saw the flaw in the defence of Duke's Bailey and Tipton and made the most of it.

O'Brien, Friedman, and Baugh, Luckman, Mueller, and all the rest of the great passers. All the praise is theirs, all the glory. This is just one man's attempt to bring a little light of recognition on the forgotten men, the players ungrudgingly do the hard work—the pass catchers.—United Press.

RUGBY LEAGUE RESULTS

SPECIAL TO THE "N.C.D.N."

London, Mar. 25.

The following are results of Rugby League matches played today:—

Barrow 9, Halifax 0
Broughton R. 3, Swinton 9
Batley 7, Keighley 0
Castleford 11, Dewsbury 6
Featherstone 15, Hunslet 11
Huddersfield 13, Hull 9
Hull Kingston R. 7, Leigh 3
Leeds 12, Bramley 2
Oldham 2, St. Helens 0
Rochdale H. 3, Widnes 6
St. Helens Recs. 3, Liverpool 13
Wakefield T. 4, Salford 8
Warrington 14, Bradford N. 2
York 17, Wigan 4.—Reuter.

10,000 Watch Snowshoe Championships

Somersworth, N. H., Mar. 24.

Clifton Cody, fleetfooted Manchester Alpine Club star, set a new world's record of 5 minutes 18 3/5 seconds to win the mile event in the national snowshoe championships here before a crowd of 10,000.

The old record of 5 minutes 38 2/5 seconds also was bested by Arthur R. Grauthier of Manchester and Arthur R. Turgeon of Suncook who were clocked at 5:22.5 and 5:27.6, respectively, to place second and third.—United Press.

Motherwell Draws With Aberdeen

80,000 See Leaders Lose One-Goal Advantage Owing To Nicholson's Blunder

SPECIAL TO THE "N.C.D.N."

Ibrox Park, Glasgow, Mar. 25.

Motherwell battled to a 1-1 draw with Aberdeen in the semi-finals of the Scottish Cup, played here today.

The game attracted a huge crowd of 80,000 people. There was a cold wind blowing, although the sunshine was strong.

Following scrappy play, Straus, Aberdeen right wing, got through, but his shot hit the post, after he had enticed the Motherwell goalkeeper out.

Although playing against the wind, Aberdeen impressed as being the better side.

In the 35th minute, Straus ran down the right flank and centred for Warnock, the left wing, to score cleverly from close in, enabling Aberdeen to take the lead.

Motherwell appeared unsettled, and Mathie missed a chance to equalize. The score was 1-0 for Aberdeen at half-time.

Costly Blunder

Upon the resumption, Motherwell was still unsettled, but in the 22nd minute, got a sensational equalizer.

Ellis, the left back, punted up the field. Nicholson, the Aberdeen centre-half, had time to clear, but he let the ball go to the goal-keeper. Mathie, intercepting, scored easily for Motherwell.

It was a tragic blunder on the part of Nicholson.

Motherwell improved after this gift goal, but there was little to choose between the two sides in the closing stages.

It was not a great game, the defences generally being superior to the attack.

The official figures on the attendance were 81,756, with a total gate receipt of £3,400.

The replay between Motherwell and Aberdeen will take place at Ibrox on Wednesday.—Reuter.

Popular Racecourse Personality Dies

Victor Butters Passes After Operation

London, Mar. 26.

Victor Butters, son of the Newmarket trainer, Frank Butters, who trains the Aga Khan's horses, has died in a sanatorium at St. Moritz, Switzerland, following an operation for mastoid, aged 30.

He had been his father's right hand man for some time, and had been in charge of the travelling arrangements of the Fitzroy House stable's horses.

He was a popular personality on the racecourse and had a host of friends. He was educated at Dover College. He left for Switzerland for his annual holiday some weeks ago, and was taken ill shortly after his arrival.—Reuter.

Canidrome Results

1—440 yd. flat.—1, Baloney; 2, Chihli Grey Wolf.
Also ran:—Betty, Snow Dale, Fearless Foe, Jorrock's Alone.
A head.—Time, 26.78.
Win, $25.90. Forecast (3-2) Div. $77.30.
Place, 1st $9.20; 2nd $10.00.
2—500 yd. flat.—1, Hei Jen Ya Kiao; 2, Simple Dale.
Also ran:—Sam Holer, Dalebird, Terminjay, Wild Wind.
Short head.—Time, 31.01.
Win, $54.60. Forecast (3-6) Div. $212.80.
Place, 1st $12.70; 2nd $11.30.
Double Event 1/2 (3-8) Div. $78.90.
3—500 yd. flat.—1, Pearl's Pet; 2, Bowster Boy.
Also ran:—Simple Simon, State Lottory, Poppyland II, Dah Chong.
7 length.—Time, 30.68.
Win, $14.50. Forecast (6-1), Div. $50.00.
Place, 1st $10.40; 2nd $10.10.
Double Event 2/3 (3-6) Div. $131.70.
4—500 yd. flat.—1, Outlaw; 2, Five Stars II.
Also ran:—Happy Glen, Broute, Pal Koo, Trump Card.
5 lengths.—Time, 30.55.
Win, $13.30. Forecast (5-6) Div. $166.40.
Place, 1st $5.20; 2nd $13.30.
Double Event 3/4 (6-5) Div. 14.80.
5—500 yd. flat.—1, Busa; 2, Crummie.
Also ran:—Portia, Lone Tess, Sweet Well, Donnybrook.
½ length.—Time, 30.49.
Win, $14.50. Forecast (2-1) Div. $81.80.
Place, 1st $10.10; 2nd $13.30.
Double Event 4/5 (5-2) Div. $17.00.
6—500 yd. flat.—1, Princess Talgai; 2, Blue Moon.
Also ran:—Fulover, Bouzou, Son of Casanova, High Brow.
1½ length.—Time, 30.22.
Win, $11.90. Forecast (1-3) Div. $31.80.
Place, 1st $7.20; 2nd $3.80.
Double Event 5/6 (2-1) Div. $12.50.
7—500 yd. flat.—1, Gitana; 2, Big Shot.
Also ran:—Wild Charm, Le Butin, Beaconsfield, Bandit.
3½ lengths.—Time, 29.72.
Win, $22.10. Forecast (3-6) Div. $49.70.
Place, 1st $8.90; 2nd $6.40.
Double Event 6/7 (1-3) Div. $19.60.
8—500 yd. flat.—1, Daleson; 2, Black Opal.
Also ran:—Teiresias, Aramis, Bethany, Lady Ruby.
2 lengths.—Time, 30.19.
Win, $12.60. Forecast (1-6) Div. $55.30.
Place, 1st $8.20; 2nd $10.40.
Double Event 7/8 (3-1) Div. $21.70.
9—500 yd. flat.—1, Chekiang; 2, Wild Harmony.
Also ran:—Adam's Rum, Captain Drew, Flintship, Distinction.
1½ length.—Time, 30.23.
Win, $19.30. Forecast (5-6) Div. $65.70.
Place, 1st $10.40; 2nd $11.60.
Double Event 8/9 (1-5) Div. $25.60.
10—500 yd. flat.—1, Great Wall; 2, Once More.
Also ran:—O.I.C., Careless Cissie, Messenger Boy, D'Artagnan.
1½ length.—Time, 29.77.
Win, $47.10. Forecast (1-3) Div. $207.40.
Place, 1st $19.30; 2nd $19.30.
Double Event 9/10 (5-1) Div. $50.50.
11—525 yd. flat.—1, Tinker; 2, Happy Troy.
Also ran:—Chihli Blue Fox, Master Zeb, Inversnev, Bellrock.
5 lengths.—Time, 30.49.
Win, $31.90. Forecast (3-5) Div. $102.00.
Place, 1st $11.70; 2nd $10.00.
Double Event 10/11 (1-3) Div. $405.40.
12—525 yd. flat.—1 D.H., Flying Duchess and Castlerock.
Also ran:—Lavondale, Erindale, Maskenson, The Flying Dutchman.
Dead heat.—Time, 30.49.
Win, $9.00 and $12.40. Forecast (5-6 and 6-5) Div. $51.20 and $43.40.
Place, 1st $9.20; 2nd $13.00.
Double Event 11/12 (3-5 and 3-6) Div. $49.60 and $113.10.
13—600 yd. flat.—1, Saucy Johnnie; 2, Mad Dale.
Also ran:—Shanghai Bill, Bowsterman, Snaresbrook, Belle O'Siccawei.
1½ length.—Time, 36.34.
Win, $24.40. Forecast (2-1) Div. $103.70.
Place, 1st $14.80; 2nd $17.30.
Double Event 12/13 (5-2 and 6-2) Div. $13.70 and $18.10.
Cash Sweeps:—1st Dog No. 322; 2nd Dog No. 254; 3rd Dog No. 644.
Unplaced:—268, 534, 66.

Oxford's Stroke Ill

SPECIAL TO THE "N.C.D.N."

London, Mar. 25.

Cambridge rowed over the full course in a trial today in the time of 20 minutes, 15 seconds.

Bourne, the Oxford stroke, is indisposed, and will not be taking part in a practice today. J. Bingham will be deputising for him. It is not yet known whether Bourne will be fit for the boat race.—Reuter.

RUGBY UNION RESULTS

SPECIAL TO THE "N.C.D.N."

London, Mar. 25.

The Royal Air Force defeated the Army XV by 18-3 at Twickenham today.

The United Services fielded two sides, losing to Brighton by 11-6 and beating Richmond by 16-11.

Following are results of Rugby Union matches played today:—

The Army 3, R.A.F. 13
Bedford 23, Notts 3
Blackheath 28, Bradford 0
Eridgend 16, Bath 5
Brighton 11, United Services 6
Bristol 25, Aldershot Services 0
Coventry 14, Leicester 20
Gloucester 13, Guy's Hospital 3
Headingley 9, Sale 6
Llanelly 11, Waterloo 3
London Scottish 26, Harlequins 11
London Welsh 9, Wasps 9
Old Cranleighans 10, St. Mary's Hospital 9
Old Leysians 10, Manchester 13
Plymouth Albion 5, Cardiff 16
Rosslyn Park 8, Moseley 17
United Services 16, Richmond 11
Aberavon 8, Swansea 5
Newport 19, Neath 5
Stewartonians 10, Heriotonians 11
Watsonians 8, Glasgow High School 0
—Reuter.

Gentleman Rider Warned Off by Stewards

Sequel to Riding In Nottingham Meeting

London, Mar. 26.

Mr. M. J. Dawson, gentleman rider and north-country business man, has been "warned off" by the National Hunt stewards.

The following notice has appeared in the Racing Calendar:—

"Mr. M. J. Dawson appeared before the Stewards of the National Hunt Committee on the report of the Stewards of the Nottingham February Meeting regarding his riding of Unlimited.

Licence Withdrawn

"The National Hunt Stewards, not being satisfied with Mr. Dawson's explanation, warned him off all courses where National Hunt Rules are in force. The Stewards also withdrew the licences to train and ride of D. A. Beeforth, trainer of the horse."

In a previous Racing Calendar published, there appeared this notice:

"Nottingham February Meeting. Stayers' Handicap Hurdle Race: The stewards asked Mr. M. J. Dawson, the rider of Unlimited, to explain the running of the horse in this race as compared with his previous running. Not being satisfied with the explanation given, they referred the case to the stewards of the National Hunt Committee."

Second Favourite

Mr. M. J. Dawson won the race on Unlimited, which started second favourite at 9-2 against. He has not been associated with racing long. He registered racing colours in 1936, and, when Beeforth set up as trainer, he rode for that stable.

D. A. Beeforth has been training horses about a year. His stable is near Thirsk. Previously he was attached as a National Hunt jockey to Burns' stable at Thirsk, for which he rode fifteen winners.—Reuter.

Clyde Eliminates Hibernian

Smarter, More Consistent Play Wins the Day; Only Goal Scored by Martin

SPECIAL TO THE "N.C.D.N."

Tyne Castle, Mar. 25.

Playing more consistently, Clyde beat Hibernian by 1-nil before a crowd of 35,000 here today, in the semi-final of the Scottish Cup.

Clyde had the advantage of a strong breeze behind in the first half. Both teams took time to settle down, but Clyde was making most of the running.

Brilliant goal-keeping by Gourley, Hibernian goalie, however, kept the eager Clyde forwards at bay. At half-time, the score was 0-0.

Hibernian had the better of the early play after the interval, but in the 25th minute, Martin scored for Clyde, a smarter and more consistent side which deserved to win.

Martin was a grand leader. He nearly scored again with a header, which hit the post.—Reuter.

Scotland Beats Wales By Single Goal

Ireland Trounces England In Hockey Series

SPECIAL TO THE "N.C.D.N."

London, Mar. 25.

Ireland beat England by 1-0 at Edgbaston in a men's international hockey match played today.

At Inverness, Scotland beat Wales by 2-1, in another match in the same series.

Scotland defeated Wales by 5-0 in a women's international hockey match at Edinburgh, while Ireland lost to England by 3-2 at Belfast.—Reuter.

Rickey Joins Dodgers

New York, Mar. 25.

Branch Rickey, Jr., son of the St. Louis Cardinals' executive, has joined the staff of the Brooklyn Dodgers and will be associated in the operation of the club's farm teams. Rickey, 25, has been business manager of St. Louis farm clubs and has conducted tryout camps for rookies for the last four years.—United Press.

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New Radio Transmission For Olympic Games

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Helsingfors, Mar. 26.

A new method of news transmission by radio has been adopted by the Olympic Committee for reporting at the Olympic Games to take place in Finland in 1940. Only about eight to ten foreign cables would be available for transmission of reports on the contests. These would have to serve the wireless station of more than thirty states.

In order to avoid the heavy costs of laying a further twenty long-distance cables, the Olympic Committee decided to use forty magnetophones of the latest pattern made by the Allgemeine Elektrizitaetsgesellschaft in Berlin such as are already in use for reporting and making musical transmissions.

Reports of the separate Olympic contests therefore, according to the plans of the Olympic Committee, will be first of all made on the magnetic tape of the magnetophone and then relayed in stages over eight to ten international cables available so that these will be fully utilised all night.—Trans-Ocean.

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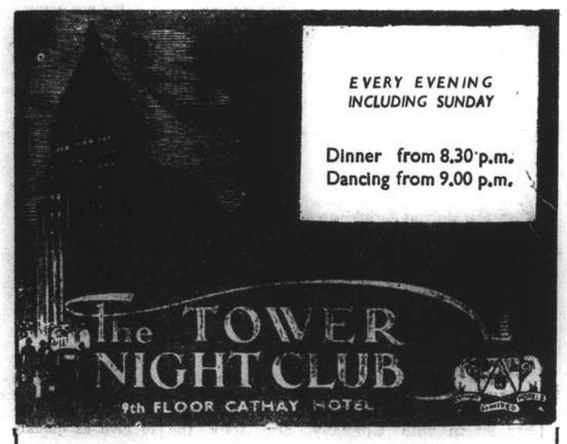

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DEATH

MADAR.—On Sunday, March 26, 1939, in Shanghai, MAY JOYCE, aged 34 years, the dearly-beloved daughter of Mrs. Sarah and the late Mr. O. A. Madar. Removed to the parlours of the International Funeral Directors, 207 Kiaochow Road. Funeral arrangements will be announced later. (Hongkong papers please copy.)

IN MEMORIAM

FERRARI.—In everlasting memory of my dearly-beloved husband ATTILIO, who passed away on March 27, 1938.—"Not just today, but every day, in silence I remember." -2412

IMPARTIAL NOT NEUTRAL

THE SUGGESTED ALLIANCE

It was only to be expected that the Japanese Cabinet would split over any question involving a broad tripartite military alliance with Germany, and Italy as a totalitarian answer to the proposed democratic united front. The signing of anti-Comintern Pacts is one thing, the definite commitment to go to the assistance of two European Powers in the event of war, two Powers who have nothing in common with Japan except their dislike of Communism, is something entirely different. At the most all that Japan appears to have contemplated has been that in the event of Germany warring with Soviet Russia, Japan might attack the latter in Siberia, the understanding also being that should Japan and Russia be involved, Germany would go to Japanese assistance by attacking Russia on her western frontier. Just how that would be done without interfering with the security and integrity of Poland it is not easy to perceive, but joint action against the Soviet has always been contemplated under the anti-Comintern Pact, even if there has been no really definite military commitment. Generally speaking opinion in Japan may be divided into three. There are sections of the Army which favour such an alliance as a means of furthering their own grandiose schemes. The Navy is not so keen as it might mean that Japan would be required to send her navy to Europe in the event of a European war, apparently without guarantees of compensation. The third view is that in any such arrangement Germany would be seeking more than she was willing to give. The slow progress made in Germano-Japanese trade negotiations is because their actual needs are in direct conflict with each other, both desiring foreign exchange, and both finding it difficult, if not impossible to accommodate each other in the matter. There is also the fact that Japan has not yet cleared up the "China Incident" and until this is done, she will hardly be in a position to render that military aid against Russia which might become so necessary if she were to play her part in favour of the Rome-Berlin axis in the event of a European war.

There are amongst the leaders in Japan men who believe that the best means for a satisfactory escape for Japan from her present difficulties would be found by co-operation with Great Britain, and the United States, even though at the moment there is nothing to suggest that such co-operation is possible. If the pro-alliance party has been defeated, as one report suggests, it is in all probability due to the fact that, whatever the Army might think about it, Japan is in no position to assume the heavy commitments which such an alliance would entail, while further caution is inspired by the realization that Japan would be asked to join in a gamble the issue of which would be by no means sure. The view that Japan in her present position could not afford to be on what might very well be the losing side, is a consideration which undoubtedly weighs heavily with those opposed to the proposal. The impression to be gained from the reports which have come to hand is that there is a substantial following of that school of thought which would prefer Japan to remain in the market for the best offer available. Great Britain and the United States have much more to offer Japan than either of the dictator states. The rapidly-increasing need for financial assistance is one of the major factors in the situation. It is likely in the long run to prove the most decisive, and it is becoming clearer daily that the accumulation of bargaining points in China has been effected for the purpose of having something with which to go to Britain and the United States in the hope of securing that financial assistance without which any profit from the expensive Chinese venture must be indefinitely delayed. The proposal to enter into this alliance with Germany and Italy is just such another. It is not by itself a very potent one; nor are the others if they are also thrown in, for if in the event of a European war Japan did decide to throw her lot in with Germany, and Italy the economic effect of her action upon herself might very well prove disastrous. It would involve a very substantial reduction in her overseas trade, which is already suffering heavily from the China Incident, and in certain eventualities might bring about something almost equivalent to total extinction.

From a military point of view, it has to be admitted that such an alliance would embarrass the western democracies, but it has to be remembered that the strength of the Japanese navy lies very much in where it happens to be situated. In its own waters where an enemy would have to travel far to find it, the Japanese navy is unquestionably strong, but the further it goes afield the weaker it becomes, and while for a time it might be able to raid Anglo-French shipping, etc., as a weapon for the destruction of those nations' fleets it has quite seriously to be discounted. In the event of a universal conflagration the only really safe place for the Japanese navy would be within its own waters, and there it would be able to play no very important part in any solutions which might be reached in Europe. There is the further possibility to be considered, that in the event of the British scheme for securing a Four Power mutual defence arrangement succeeding, the inclusion of Russia would also necessitate the retention of a substantial portion of the Japanese fleet in the Pacific Ocean. It is true that the present strength of the Russian naval forces in this part of the world is not very imposing. Nevertheless the need for Japan to maintain her lines of communication open with the mainland would oblige her to keep considerable strength in these waters. It is difficult to avoid the conclusion that the advantages to the Rome-Berlin-Tokyo axis deriving from such an alliance as that proposed are more fancied than real, and that the contribution which she would be able to give to the cause of her European allies in the event of war would involve action closer at home than some of the supporters of the scheme appear to think. Such an alliance could without a doubt cause the democracies some inconvenience but there is little reason to believe that it would make any very real change in the European situation. Further in the event of the axis being defeated, and this is by no means improbable, Japan as also her allies would have to face the ultimate settlement. She very obviously cannot afford to be on the losing side, and that some of her leaders are reported to realize.

National Work Mortgaged

Germany's extraordinary rearmament has resulted in extraordinary financial measures. Taxation bonds of two kinds are to bring into practice the Nazi thesis of economy, as declared by Dr. Walther Funk, present Minister of Economy and President of the Reichsbank. That thesis chiefly maintains that future generations must pay for expenditures incurred by the Nazi state for the benefit of the nation and that loans contracted by the state towards such ends should bear no interest by virtue of the fact the state could impose taxation in any case where needs dictate. The measure, as announced by Herr Reinhardt, is one form of inflation which has the merit of not being as bad as alternatives such as printing presses offer. The bond-taxes mean that all future German work and production, thereby representing wealth, shall constitute capital and that capital the currency backing which in turn is appropriated to the ownership of the state. Whereas in free-trade Democratic countries the savings of personal returns in work or the results of invested savings constitute capital and the measure of personal wealth, the Germans in future will collectively have ownership in their collective endeavours in road-building, major fortifications and state enterprises, etc., which, if the hope latent in the promise of the second class of bonds holds good, will find an increase in value of twelve per cent. after twelve years but only to the extent which such special bonds have been issued. Such hope deferred is feasible if the pressure of expenditure which is frankly admitted as unlimited, does not outrun a strict accounting within the definite framework of the scheme. It brings a Nazi interpretation of economy into line with economic facts presented in the huge labour wages bill contracted by the state for state enterprise but the purchasing power of which the state for the present cannot satisfy by the usual way of allowing the wage-earners to spend their savings on extra food or extra housing and the like. Yet that vast potential buying power, and the appetite it has behind it, will be of cardinal value in making the Nazi economic cycle spin round once the immense barter projects, as envisaged by the Rumanian agreement and possible extensions to include Hungarian, Polish and Lithuanian supplies, together with those of Baltic states and countries now swinging into the German orbit. This is socialism in a form that is half-measures between the capitalism forced upon the "New Deal" of the United States of America in regard to her agricultural surpluses, and the Communism of Soviet Russia in regard to her enforced pace in industrialization. It is an interesting experiment partially tried and worked under the Von Papen Chancellorship.

Two Appeals

Two Russian charities are reported to be in a sad plight. St. Tichon's Orphanage while it has many supporters, reports that its funds have reached such a point that it has become necessary to apply for further support, while St. Olga's Orphanage states that it is in such dire distress that it has to appeal to the public to come to its rescue, for without assistance it will be unable to carry on its good work. That the work of both institutions has been good the testimony of years bears out. Without their efforts a large number of children, running into hundreds by now would have been deprived of whatever chance in life poverty in Shanghai affords them. Children have been, and are being rescued from destitution and possibly evil courses, and fitted to take their proper place in the world. It is a noble work, the value of which will best be appreciated by those who remember the destitute Russian children on the streets a few years ago, and the concern which was aroused as to their fate. St. Olga's is reported to have run completely out of funds, and to the natural anxieties which attend the work of the nuns caring for their charges is added the extra worry of wondering whence the next dollar is to come. Shanghai's charity is obviously not like the widow's cruise,—inexhaustible. It has dipped deeply into its pockets during the past twenty months, to meet demands arising not only from local developments but those of Europe as well. There is so much to be done, and so comparatively small a community upon which to call for the wherewithal to do it. But none of the charities which depend so exclusively upon Shanghai's generosity can be allowed to go to the wall for lack of adequate support. That would indeed be a tragedy involving the withdrawal of aid from these young children at a time when they most need it. But St. Tichon's and St. Olga's are asking for help. It is inconceivable that Shanghai will not listen sympathetically to their appeals, and will find somewhere that extra dollar which means so little in the pockets where it rests at present, and so much in the hands of those workers who have given years of devotion to the cause of charity. It is to be hoped that these appeals will find a ready response. Demands, it is readily admitted, have been so frequent of late, and the answer so ready, that there is almost a reluctance to ask for more. Yet the request has to be made, and it is in the hope that those who are prepared to give will remember the old saying *bis dat qui cito dat*, which may serve to influence them to give as quickly, and as generously as possible.

Britain's Economic Vitality

There is hardly any branch of economic activity in Great Britain today in which the dominant note is not one of steady expansion. The return just issued by the Ministry of Transport is a good example of this. It shows that there has been an increase of no less than 120 per cent. in the number of private cars in use in Great Britain within the past ten years, and that in the quarter ended September 30 last the number of vehicles for which licences were current was 3,093,884, compared with 2,928,485 in the corresponding period of the previous year. Another example is to be seen in the returns of forty municipal passenger transport undertakings. Their aggregate receipts (not including the London district) for the first 4s weeks of the financial year were £12,706,000. This is an increase of over £320,000, compared with the corresponding period of last year. The same signs of development are to be observed in other fields. The number of wireless licences in force at the end of January of this year was nearly 9,000,000, or an increase of 4.6 per cent. since January, 1938. These figures reflect the easy flow of money in the country, while the consistent growth in the number of telephone subscribers and of telephone communications is a reliable indication of healthy business activity. In the London region alone telephone calls originated by subscribers in 1938 reached a total of 1,130 million, or 30 million more than in 1937. On the other hand, the latest returns of the Trustee Savings banks show that, side by side with economic activity, the financial stability of the country is unimpaired. The funds of these banks in 1939 exceeded £287 millions—they were nearly £16 millions more than in 1927; the highest annual increase ever recorded.

IN PARENTHESIS

Refused

A LITTLE girl was taken by her nurse to a church service, the first to which she had been. When she returned home, her mother asked: "Mary, were you a good little girl at church today?"

"Oh, yes, mummy," replied the child. "A man offered me a big plate of money, and I said, 'No, thank you.'"

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Like Dickens

"THE news of English, we tell the latest. Writ in perfect style and most earliest. Do a murder get commit, we tell of it. Do a mighty chief die, we publish it, and in borders of sombre. Staff has each one been college, and write like the Dickens. We circulate every town and extortionate not for advertisements. Buy it."—Advertisement for Siamese newspaper. *vide* the "Contemporary Reviewer."

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Nurse to Reindeer

A NORWEGIAN girl had come to London to learn English, and applied for a situation as nurse-general.

Could she cook? she was asked. No, she couldn't cook. Could she wait at table? No, she hadn't been taught that. Could she wash or sew? No. Then what could she do?

"Well," she replied, "I'm good at tending reindeer, and I can make cheese!"

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Only for Piping

THE Negro parson had been preaching about salvation, and concluded by saying that it was free as water. Immediately after the sermon came the collection.

"But, parson," objected one of the congregation, "I thought you said salvation was free like water."

"So it is, brother; so it is" replied the preacher, "and so is water. We only charge for piping them to you."

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"C.B."

A young officer returning from leave abroad was about to take his place in an airliner, when a girl ran up and asked the passengers if any one of them would be kind enough to sell her their seat as her mother was dangerously ill and the liner was full up.

The young officer gave up his seat to her, and wired his C.O. thus:

"Given berth to girl. Returning by next 'plane."

The reply he received ran:

"Congratulations. Your next confinement will be in barracks."

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Drink!

THE temperance orator was trying to explain to his audience how his life had been influenced by total abstinence.

"I am now," he said, proudly, "the head of my department. Five years ago there were two men in superior positions to me.

"One was discharged through drunkenness. The other was led into evil ways and is now serving a long term of imprisonment that was through the influence of strong liquor.

"Now what, I ask you," he added, impressively, "what has raised me to my present high position?"

A voice from the back of the hall came at once: "Drink!"

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Road to the Crown

THERE'S a road that leads straight to a tumbledown gate, 'tis a road that is dusty and long; but the miles fade away if you just peg away with a smile and gay snatch of song.

There's a light shining bright through the dark of the night like a welcoming star in the gloom, and it's calling you back to an old-fashioned shack and the warmth of a dearly-loved room.

There's a maid waiting there who will soothe away care and will help you to rise when you're down. There's a smile on her lips and bah goom, lad! what hips—she's the barmaid who works at The Crown!

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Maid, Postman and Pup

Ev'ry night you'll see them at the corner of the street—
The Parlourmaid, the Postman and the Pup.
Underneath the lamp-post by the letter-box they meet—
The Parlourmaid, the Postman and the Pup.
She's heard the Postman's knock,
And now she wants his ring,
The pup is not the only one
That she's got on a string,
And who'd you think starts whinning when old Mister Moon shows up—
The Parlourmaid?
The Postman?
No—the Pup!

All together now—

The copper on his beat is sure they don't mean any harm—
The Parlourmaid, the Postman and the Pup.
He never shines his lantern just in case he might alarm
The Parlourmaid, the Potsman and the Pup
The Postman's got his sack
Of mail upon his back,
He's very glad his pillar-box
Is off the beaten track.
And who d'you think is first to buzz off home to have a sup—
The Parlourmaid? No, no!
The Postman? Hardly so.
That unromantic,
Most pedantic,
Frantic little
PUP!

—Formby in the "Sunday Express."

THE WEATHER

Temperature near Holy Trinity Cathedral Shanghai 24 hours ending 7 p.m.:—

Yesterday	Min. 38.5	Max.	57.0
Same date, 1938	Min. 48.5	Max.	58.0

Rainfall nil.

Temperature at Siccawei:—

Yesterday	Min. 35.8	Max.	57.0
Same date, 1938	Min. 41.9	Max.	56.7

Siccawei's Report

State on the morning of the 25th:—Anticyclone over China. Depressions over Mongolia and over Central Japan. Fine to cloudy weather and variable winds over northern China. Cloudy and north-westerly to north-easterly winds over Central China and our regions. Overcast to cloudy with some local rain or drizzle and winds from the northern quadrant at sea.

State on the morning of the 26th:—Light anticyclone over the Yellow Sea and the Eastern Sea. Depression to the north of the Petchili Gulf, advancing eastward.

Probabilities, 4.30 p.m. yesterday:—Depression over northern China. Cloudy to overcast weather with sand and cyclonic circulation over northern China and Petchili. Cloudy with strong southerly winds over the Yellow Sea. Cloudy to overcast and southerly to westerly winds in the Yangtze Valley and over our regions. Cloudy, overcast at places and variable winds over the Eastern Sea. Overcast with variable breezes around Formosa.—Siccawei Observatory.

Italy's Case Outlined By Mussolini

Colonial Problems Named Tunis, Djibuti, Suez, He Says in Rome; Mediterranean is Italian; Adriatic Also Included

Rome, Mar. 26.

ITALIAN problems of a colonial nature had the names Tunis, Djibuti and Suez, declared Signor Mussolini in his anxiously awaited speech at the Stadium today on the occasion of the 20th anniversary of the foundation of the Fascist Party. The speech was greeted by tremendous cheering from an enormous crowd. Parts of it were drowned by the tumultuous applause.

"These deliberations," Signor Mussolini said, "are taking place at a moment of gravity for Europe. We will not be led away by hysterical fear of war. The word 'Peace' has been circulating like false money, but we have been long in a period of peace for European reconstruction. Attempts to upset the Axis are puerile. The Axis is not only a relation between two States, but also between two revolutions which form contemporary civilization. A combination against the totalitarian regimes will be met by all available means. What happened in Central Europe was fated.

"In my Genoa speech, I referred to what separated Italy from France (booing, and tremendous tumult).

"In a few days, perhaps in a few hours, Nationalist Spain will give a final blow to Madrid, which will be the tomb of Communism.

"On December 17, Italian problems of a colonial nature were put to France. Those problems have the names Tunis, Djibuti and Suez. Geographically, politically and militarily, the Mediterranean is Italian.

"Finally," Signor Mussolini added, "we must arm ourselves. The order of the day is guns, ships and aeroplanes, at whatever cost."—Reuter.

Principles are Clear

Rome, Mar. 26.

"Our principles are clear. Although professional pacifists are despicable individuals, although we consider that perpetual peace would be a catastrophe for the world, we consider that a long period of peace is necessary for the salvation of European civilization and its development. But we shall take no initiative, despite having been asked to do so recently, until our sacred rights are recognized," Signor Mussolini said.

In opening his address, Il Duce stressed that the meeting "takes place in a most serious moment of European life."

"All attempts to diminish or destroy the Rome-Berlin axis are doomed to failure," he continued, amid thunderous cheers and cries of "Heil Hitler." The axis is not only a relationship between two states. It is a meeting of two revolutions. I declare most explicitly that what has happened in Central Europe was fatally to take place. I declare that if the great democracies cry over the destruction of their most beloved creature, it is an excellent reason not to participate in their tears. I add that if the problem is put on a moral basis, no one has the right to throw the first stone. I declare that when a nation having a great many men and numerous arms and arsenals offers no resistance, then that proves that the nation was ripe for its new destiny."

"If a block against the totalitarian states were to be created, these states would take up the challenge and counter-attack on all points," Il Duce went on. "Speaking in Genoa, I said that a barricade—that of the situation in Spain—separated Italy from France. (Shouts and Whistles.) "This barricade is now sufficiently destroyed and within a few days, perhaps a few hours, the magnificent Spanish troops will deal a final blow. Madrid, which was to be the tomb of Fascism, will be the tomb of Bolshevism."

Signor Mussolini then referred to the problem, separating Italy from France. "We do not ask for the judgment of the world, but we wish the world to be informed," he said. "In the note of December 17, 1938, our problems with France were clearly exposed. These problems, of a colonial character, are Tunis, Djibuti and Suez. The French Government is perfectly free to refuse even to accept a simple discussion of these problems as it has done until now by its too often stated and categorical 'Nevers'. But the French Government must not complain if the ditch at present dividing the two countries becomes so deep that it will be most difficult, if not impossible, to fill it up. In any case, whatever may happen, we do not wish to hear of the blood relationship between Latin sisters because relations between states are connections of force and these connections of force determine the elements of their policy."

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French Reaction to Speech

Italian-French Relations Thought No More Difficult Than Before

Paris, Mar. 26.

That the relations between France and Italy will not be any more difficult tomorrow than they are today was the opinion expressed in political quarters here this morning following Il Duce's speech in Rome. These quarters pointed out that Signor Mussolini made no irreparable gesture.

Il Duce's reference to his speech in Genoa is further proof of the belief that no settlement of the problems separating France from Italy could be possible before the end of the Spanish war.

France's position, these quarters added, remains unchanged: the status of the Suez Canal and Djibuti is open to discussion. As for the status of Italians living in Tunisia, France has no reason to accept a different one from that provided for in the treaty of 1935.

Il Duce's speech, it was stated, showed that Franco-Italian problems are not the only ones facing Italy in the Mediterranean. Diplomatic quarters declare that his reference to the status of the Adriatic may have been a discreet warning to Germany against any possible action in regard to Trieste.

In any event, political quarters pointed out, when outlining the recent changes in Central Europe, Signor Mussolini insisted upon their unavoidable character and did not try to prove that they were the result of a victory of the Rome-Berlin axis. —Havas.

May Have Phoned Hitler

Berlin, Mar. 26.

Political circles here state that Signor Mussolini may have conferred by telephone with Herr Hitler today, prior to delivering his address in Rome this morning.

All circles here stress Germany's complete adherence to the Italian thesis. They declare that Il Duce did not cut off completely from France, and that Germany would favour a resumption of contacts between Rome and Paris.—Havas.

Rome Wants for France to Act

Rome, Mar. 26.

Political circles here consider that the speech delivered this morning by Il Duce opens a path, however narrow it may be, towards a detente in the Mediterranean situation.

They consider the major point in his speech the reference he made to relations between France and Italy. He indicated clearly that the Spanish problem is no longer an obstacle between the two countries, and that only the colonial problems remain to be solved.

It was particularly stressed that Il Duce did not use the word "claims" in his address. Although Signor Mussolini did not define the exact nature of the Italian colonial problem, well-informed circles here declare that "Italy's minimum aspiration" are a new general status for Italians residing in Tunis, the cession to Italy of the Djibuti-Addis Ababa railway, a revision in favour of Italy of the Suez Canal tariffs, and Italy's admittance into the administration of the canal.

Henceforth, the "aspirations of the Italian people" bear officially upon Tunisia, Djibuti and Suez, as mentioned in Il Duce's speech.

Diplomatic quarters note that Signor Mussolini's address, following that of King Victor-Emmanuel a few days ago, reveals that Italy is waiting for France to take the initiative in opening negotiations with Rome.

According to most political circles, Il Duce's reference to the Adriatic was an allusion to Italy's determination not to tolerate the eventual establishment of a third power along the shores of this sea.—Havas.

Sig. Benito Mussolini

Terrorism in North Palestine

Arabs Working on Anti-Jewish Boycott

Jerusalem, Mar. 26.

The wave of terrorism seems to be concentrating at present in Northern Palestine. Curfew has been imposed in Tiberias, where two persons were killed in clashes yesterday.

Meanwhile, Arab nationalists are continuing their propaganda in Palestine and the neighbouring countries with the object of opposing an increase in Jewish immigration. They are appealing to the neighbouring Arab states to boycott products of Jewish origin.—Havas.

R.A.F. Training Plane Crashes

London, Mar. 26.

A plane belonging to the elementary training school of the Royal Air Force crashed near North Benfleet today, its two occupants being killed immediately.—Havas.

Germany's Support for Mussolini

Standing Shoulder to Shoulder With Italy

Rome, Mar. 26.

Field Marshal Hermann Goering, chief of the German Air Force, last night pledged that Germany would at all costs remain at the side of Italy during Italy's demands on France for territorial concessions.

Interviewed by Premier Benito Mussolini's "Popolo d'Italia," Marshal Goering spoke bitterly of Britain and alluded to Britain as the proverbial dog that barks but never bites.

He said the Rome-Berlin axis is "unbreakable" and that Germany would remain beside Italy regardless of what happens in Europe.

"Any greater power for Germany is greater power for Italy and vice versa," he said.—United Press.

Spain no Longer Bargain Factor

Washington, Mar. 26.

United States Government quarters today awaited Premier Benito Mussolini's Rome speech with great interest. Government circles here believe Premier Mussolini's most effective move against France for satisfaction of Italy's "natural aspirations" would be a threat of immediate war.

Informed quarters here believe Italy is no longer able to use Spain as a bargaining factor against the British and French because of complications arising from the approaching end of the Spanish civil war and the economic condition of the Nationalist Government in Spain.

The Burgos Government, it is felt, will soon need large foreign loans and credits for reconstruction in Spain. Italy, it was pointed out, is unable to supply such funds and the Spanish Nationalists consequently probably will have to seek aid from the Democratic Powers.

Italy herself, it was said, is in immediate need of foreign capital and may have to approach the Democratic Powers soon for loans and credits.—United Press.

Tension Reflected in London

Lord Halifax Stays in Town: Many Official Callers

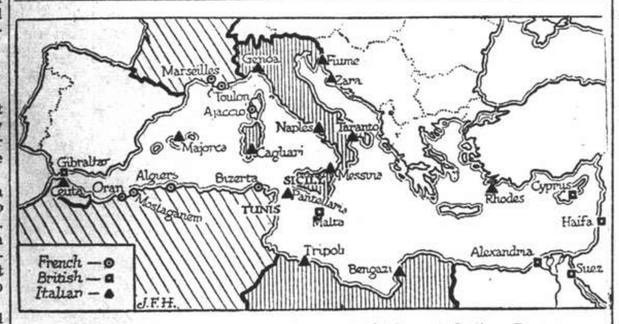
SPECIAL TO THE "N.C.D.N."

London, Mar. 25.

Lord Halifax, the Foreign Secretary, will remain in London this week-end to watch developments in the European situation. Mr. Neville Chamberlain, the Prime Minister, who is spending the week-end at Chequers, will probably return to London on Sunday night.

M. Charles Corbin, the French Ambassador in London, called at the Foreign Office this morning and was received by Sir Alexander Cadogan, the Permanent Under-Secretary of State. Other callers included the German Charge d'Affaires, Dr. Kordt.

Accompanied by Mr. John W. Dulanty, High Commissioner for Eire, Mr. de Valera, Prime Minister of Ireland, today visited Mr. Neville Chamberlain, the Prime Minister, at Chequers.—Reuter.



The Mediterranean showing French, British and Italian Bases.

France Expects Busy Period

Important Administrative Measures Before Cabinet

Paris, Mar. 25.

Now that President Lebrun's visit to London is finished, France is anticipating a busy administrative period. The French Cabinet, on Monday, will review the International situation, and pass further decree laws under the Plenary Powers Act.

Military measures taken under the first group of decree laws is reported already to cost 7,000,000,000 francs.

The Chamber of Deputies is meeting on Tuesday to consider electoral reform with a view to securing greater stability and ensuring a truer popular representation. Both the Senate and the Chamber of Deputies are preparing for a meeting in Versailles on April 4, to elect a new President. It is now reported that President Lebrun will not agree to the suggestion made by many quarters that he should retain the Presidency for another term.—Reuter.

Franco to Join Anti-Comintern Pact

Totalitarian Issue Another Matter

London, Mar. 26.

Generalissimo Francisco Franco, head of Nationalist Spain, has agreed to join Germany, Italy and Japan in the Anti-Comintern Pact, diplomatic quarters reported today.

The decision was said to have been reached following negotiations with the three major members of the Anti-Comintern accord.

However, it is understood that Nationalist Spain will not announce her membership in the Totalitarian pact immediately for fear of damaging her relations with the Democratic Powers from whom she hopes to obtain loans and credits for the reconstruction of Spain.—United Press.

Spanish Nationalist Troops in French Territory

French soldiers and mobile guards stand to attention while soldiers of General Franco's Nationalist army enter the neutral road, behind the French border, leading to the little Spanish town of Llivia. Latest reports of the Spanish situation state it is likely that Madrid will not capitulate without further fighting.

Peaceful Occupation of Madrid Appears Remote

Nationalist Will Launch Offensive on City Unless Terms are Accepted; Time Limit Mystery

Burgos, Mar. 26.

THE possibility of a peaceful and bloodless occupation of Madrid was considered here more remote this morning than it had been some hours previously. The reason for this increased pessimism is to be sought in certain utterances of the Republican negotiators who gave it to be understood that General Miaja and Colonel Casado might encounter difficulties in carrying out the conditions for the capitulation which had been agreed upon. It is stated in government circles here that if the carrying out of these conditions by the Republican authorities should prove impossible, the Nationalist offensive will commence at an early date. It is confidently anticipated that in this case the Republican troops would very soon be compelled to lay down their arms.—Trans-Ocean.

St. Jean De Luz, Mar. 25.

General Franco's ultimatum to the Republicans has a time-limit of 72 hours, according to reports received in diplomatic circles here.

The Nationalist stipulations are stated to require Republican infantry to hand over arms in 24 specified sectors ranging over the whole front, while token surrenders are to be made as guarantees at six strategic points, one of which will be Madrid.—Reuter.

Paris, Mar. 26.

A motorized column of Generalissimo Francisco Franco's Nationalist troops entered Madrid at 7 o'clock yesterday morning, according to unconfirmed reports reaching here from St. Jean de Luz last night.

The Republican surrender was said to have resulted from Gen. Franco's demands for a decision by the Madrid regime within 48 hours. The only alternative would be an attack on Madrid by the Nationalists, probably beginning today. Nationalist quarters reported that the Republicans had accepted the Nationalist ultimatum after Gen. Franco tore up Republican peace proposals sent to him by plane last Friday.

The Nationalists apparently gave the Republicans sufficient time to make all preparations for surrender, including time for any Popular Front leaders fearing Nationalist reprisals to leave Madrid.—United Press.

Naval Units Returned

Burgos, Mar. 25.

The French Government has decided to return to Spain all the units of the Republican Fleet which are interned at Bizerta, Tunisia, it was officially announced here today. The British Government had already returned the Republican destroyer, Jose Luis Diaz, which had been interned in the harbour of Gibraltar.

The vessels in Bizerta arrived some weeks ago, preferring to deliver themselves to the French authorities rather than the Nationalists, it was recalled. Their handing over to the Franco regime was earlier stated to be one of the subjects discussed by Marshal Philippe Petain, first French Ambassador here, before he presented his credentials to Generalissimo Franco.—Havas.

Aeroplanes Surrendered

Rome, Mar. 26.

The Spanish Republican air force has already surrendered 30 pursuit and 15 bombing planes to General Franco. This must be regarded, says a Madrid despatch received here yesterday afternoon, as a prelude to the capitulation of the Spanish capital and to the entry of General Franco's troops into the city. It is confidentially expected that detachments of Nationalist police will enter Madrid at latest in the course of this morning. They will be under orders to occupy the main points of the city preparatory to the entry of General Franco's troops.—Trans-Ocean.

Soviet Can Handle Japan Alone

Request for British Aid in Far East a "Misconception"; No Stipulations Made

London, Mar. 25.

Rumours that Russia has demanded, in return for her commitment in Europe, a British commitment in the Far East—that Britain should undertake to protect Russia against Japan—are described by the "Observer" as misconception.

Russia has not, in any communication with London or Paris, made any such stipulation, the paper declares. On the contrary, she has protested full confidence in her ability to deal single-handed with Japan, it adds.—Reuter.

Implied Soviet Strength

Tokyo, Mar. 26.

In view of the tense relations existing between Japan and the Soviet over the fisheries question, great interest is taken by Japanese in the potential strength of the Russian forces based on Vladivostock.

The latest Japanese reports state that they consist of:—

Converted cruisers (three of 5,000 to 6,000 tons, and four of 3,000 to 4,000 tons)	7
Destroyers	7
Submarines	80
High-speed motor-boats	140
Total	241
Aeroplanes	600
Air pilots	2,000

—Reuter.

Nationalists Advance On Cordoba Front

Burgos, Mar. 26.

It is officially announced here that the Nationalists have started an offensive on the Cordoba front. It is claimed that the Republican lines have been penetrated to a considerable depth. The Nationalist advance is reported to be continuing.—Reuter.

Four Power Declaration Abandoned, Says "Observer" Correspondent

Poland Reported Unimpressed by Idea; Russian Plan for Anglo-Russian Military Committee

London, Mar. 26.

The proposed Four Power Declaration against aggression by Great Britain, France and Poland has been abandoned, asserts the Diplomatic Correspondent of the "Observer." He is of the opinion that the Polish Government sees no attraction in participating in a demonstration, the only practical purpose of which would be to offer Poland the possibility of international consultation in the event of German aggression.

On the other hand, he understands, the Russian proposal for full military commitment to take immediate action in the event of German aggression or threat of aggression has hitherto made equally little impression in Warsaw, where the old Polish principle of full neutrality as between Germany and Russia still holds sway.

In the present case, the correspondent states, Polish opinion does not attempt to disguise the fact that no Russian army would be welcomed in Poland, no matter what its purpose might be.

He believes that the French Government does not greatly regret the failure of the project regarding a Four-Power Declaration, and inclines to the belief that the French and British Governments should confine their commitment to the contingency of German aggression in the West.

The Russian Government, on the other hand, he states, while excluding the Far East from the scope of negotiations, is pressing the argument that only a full commitment of Russia and Great Britain to take military action against Germany, would now halt German aggression.

This commitment, the correspondent declares, should apply equally to German aggression in the East or the West and involve a military commitment by both countries both in Eastern and Western Europe.

The Russians, says the "Observer's" correspondent, argue that this would involve for Great Britain as a minimum the immediate declaration of war against Germany as well as the immediate blockade of Germany by the British fleet.—Reuter.

Britain Building Mighty Fleet

Nine New Battleships Will Be Added in Two Years; 24 Capital Ships Available

London, Mar. 25.

In about two years' time Great Britain will have a new and entirely modern battle fleet. It will consist of nine battleships—the fastest capital ships ever built in this country.

This deduction is from a study of the present naval programme and after inquiries in well-informed quarters by Reuter's Naval Correspondent.

Details of Britain's new fleet follow:—

Name of ship	Tonnage	Guns
1. King George V.	35,000	14-inch
2. Prince of Wales	"	"
3. Duke of York	"	"
4. Jellicoe	"	"
5. Beatty	"	"
6. Lion	40,000	16-inch
7. Temeraire	"	"
8. (Undecided)	"	"
9. (Undecided)	"	"

It is probable that No. 8 and No. 9 will be of the same tonnage and carry the same type of big guns as will Lion and the Temeraire.

Ready By 1941

The Lion is being built on the slip at Walker-on-Tyne vacated by the King George V and launched by the King. It is hoped that the King George V will be completed before the end of next year.

The Prince of Wales will be launched by the Princess Royal at Birkenhead on May 3 and this ship too, should be ready before the end of 1940. By the early spring of 1941 the Duke of York (laid down at Clydebank in the summer of 1937), Jellicoe (laid down at Wallsend-on-Tyne at the same time) and Beatty (laid down at Govan also in the summer of 1937) should all three be completed.

Each of these five battleships will probably carry four aircraft (launched by catapult) and will be specially protected against air attack.

To this new Battle Fleet of nine ships (each of which will cost about £8,000,000) the Royal Navy can, of course, add the existing 12 battleships and three battle cruisers, giving Britain a Grand Fleet of 24 capital ships: Nelson, Rodney, Royal Oak, Royal Sovereign, Resolution, of the Home Fleet.

To these units of the Home Fleet will be added the battle cruisers: Hood (refitting), Renown (refitting) Repulse (on conclusion of their Majesties' visit to Canada and U.S.A.).

Then there are the battleships at present, or shortly to be, on the strength of the Mediterranean Fleet: Warspite, Malaya, Barham, Ramillies, Revenge, Valiant, Queen Elizabeth.

Some of the existing capital ships have already been made into practically new, modern men-of-war of colossal fighting power.—Reuter.

Sound Film Patent in Lawsuit

British Company Suing Two American Firms

Wilmington, Del, Mar. 26.

Alleging infringement of patents, British Acoustic Films, Ltd., have brought action against two American firms for damages of "between $10,000,000 and $20,000,000." The action is based on two patents for improved mechanism to feed film through sound projectors.

British Acoustic Films are suing Electrical Research Products, Inc., and the R.C.A. Manufacturing Company for an accounting of profits from alleged violations of the patents. They are also asking for an injunction against future violations. —Reuter.

Avalanches Result in Many Casualties

27 Dead, and 40 Missing In Pyrenees

Tarbes, Mar. 26.

Twenty-seven persons are known to be dead, 23 injured and 40 missing as a result of a series of avalanches in the Pyrenees.

Heaviest casualties were suffered at the partly buried village of Bareges. A group of 50 Italian workmen near Lake Izuor also were caught in disastrous slides.—United Press.

Japanese Bomb Swatow

Swatow, Mar. 26.

Four Japanese seaplanes visited Swatow this morning, where they bombed and machine-gunned the railway-station and the vicinity of the West Bund.—Reuter.

Japanese Troops on Outskirts Of Nanchang in New Drive

Kan River Crossed After Heavy Fighting; Offensive Aimed at Cutting Vital Supplies Route

With the Japanese Forces in Kiangsi, Mar. 26.

JAPANESE forces at 4.30 o'clock this afternoon reached the outskirts of Nanchang, strongly defended capital of Kiangsi province, after successfully crossing the Kan River in junks seized from villagers in the face of a furious rifle and machine-gun fire. The first cross was effected by three Japanese columns comprising the vanguard of the forces, which on March 20 launched the biggest Japanese offensive since the attack on Hankow last year.

By sunset, other Japanese units, massed on the west bank of the Kan River, were feverishly engaged in crossing the strategically vital waterway. Japanese attacks on the city, launched from various directions, plunged the defending forces into disorder. A mass retreat to the south was begun by the Chinese, Japanese aerial scouts reported.

Japanese troops captured the Nanchang-Kiukiang Railway station opposite Nanchang across the Kan River this morning and infantry, cavalry and motorized units attacked the 1,500-metre Chungcheng Bridge leading to the Kiangsi capital. The Chinese were reported by a Japanese flier to be retreating southward from Nanchang. In an attempt to check the Japanese onslaught Chinese sappers defied a fierce aerial bombardment and tried to blow up the bridge. They succeeded in dynamiting part of the bridge at 11.10 o'clock this morning.

Refuelled By Aeroplanes

Crossing the Siu River last Tuesday morning in a period of three hours, two Japanese motorized units attacked the Chinese from the rear. Refuelled by Japanese Army planes, they advanced 100 kilometres without a rest and reached the Kan River bank in co-operation with infantry and engineering detachments at 9 o'clock this morning. A vanguard unit started its drive on Nanchang from the sector southeast of Anyi, 40 kilometres northwest of Nanchang, last Thursday afternoon.

Speeding along the military highway from Fengsin, 60 kilometres west of Nanchang, early yesterday morning, the unit arrived at a point 15 kilometers southwest of Nanchang late last night and then turned north.

Capture of Nanchang would rupture the Chekiang-Kiangsi Railway, which is one of the two remaining arms supply arteries for the Kuomintang command. Supplies to the Chinese third war zone south of the Chientang River in Chekiang Province would be cut off. Chinese troops in this sector would be isolated if Nanchang fell to the Japanese. It would split the Chinese armies of the ninth war zone under the command of Gen. Hsueh Yueh which have been spread over Kiangsi and Hunan Provinces. These forces are among the strongest in the field.

Chinese deployed in areas neighbouring the Japanese-occupied zone in Hunan Province would be threatened if the Japanese advanced toward Changsha along the Chekiang-Kiangsi Railway. Bisection of the ninth war zone and an advance toward Changsha were believed to be necessary in order to keep the Wuhan area and the Yangtze River securely in Japanese hands.

Blow at Chinese Supplies

Extending from Siaoshan, the only remaining port on the Chientang River not occupied by the Japanese, to the region opposite Hangchow, the Chekiang-Kiangsi Railway is the most active arms supply route of the Kuomingtang command. Arms and ammunition from abroad shipped to Siaoshan and raw materials for the biggest Chinese arsenals around Siangkiang in Hunan have been transported on the railway. Mineral products of Hunan Province, particularly antimony and manganese, have been sent over the railway from Siaoshan, where the Kuomintang regime maintains a Customs office.

Guerillas harassing Japanese troops and Japanese-occupied areas around Hangchow and near Nanking and Wuhu receive reinforcements and arms from Kiangsi and Hunan by means of the Chekiang-Kiangsi Railway, which has been the most important supply channel since the Canton-Hankow Railway was controlled by the Japanese. Capture of Nanchang would end the military and economic importance of the railway, deal a severe blow to the Gen. Chiang Kai-shek regime and sever the supply route of the Chinese near Hangchow, Nanking and Wuhu.

Strongly Held By Chinese

Nanchang in the ninth war zone was garrisoned by the 19th Army under the command of Gen. Lo Choying, who is concurrently Commander of the Nanchang Defence Headquarters. The Headquarters had been situated 10 kilometres southwest of Nanchang to escape Japanese aerial attacks. Some 20 divisions of Chinese troops totalling about 100,000 were said to have been deployed in front of Nanchang. Chinese forces opposing the Japanese on a line linking Yochow and Tungcheng in Hunan and Hupeh respectively were rushed to reinforce the Nanchang front. Sixty Chinese divisions totalling 400,000 troops were said to be within operating distance of the Nanchang front. The Siu River was lined with barbed wire barriers and pillbox trenches were dug along the banks.

Nanchang figured prominently in the anti-Communist drives of Gen. Chiang in 1928 and later years when his armies fought seven major battles with the red forces. Soon after the start of the present hostilities Gen. Chiang established the Nanchang headquarters of the Kuomintang Military Affairs Council, converting Nanchang into a major base of operations. Apparently expecting to make it his military headquarters after the fall of Nanking, Gen. Chiang constructed military highways radiating from Nanchang, reorganized the railways and built the biggest aerodrome in China there.

Importance Stressed

Large barracks for six divisions at one time, huge munition depots and warehouses were subsequently erected. The aerodrome and hangars have been put out of commission by repeated Japanese air attacks. Nanchang used to be considered impregnable because of its walls but these have been pulled down and a circular highway was built where the walls stood. Seven main gates are still located on the highway.

Prior to the hostilities the city had a population of 40,000; this rapidly dwindled following the hostilities. —Domei.

Chinese Stubbornly Resisting

Holding Out Despite Heavy Air and Land Attack; Drive By Guerillas Expected

Chungking, Mar. 26.

The Chinese forces are fighting desperately in an effort to check the "relentless Japanese drive" towards Nanchang, the capital of Kiangsi, according to reports reaching here. These reports, which are of Chinese origin, admit that the Japanese column advancing along the Kiukiang-Nanchang highway has reached Wanchiapu, where a group of small hills form the Chinese final defence line north of Nanchang. This point is considered in Chinese circles here to be the "Key To Nanchang."

Despite vigorous Japanese assaults, it is learned that the Chinese troops defending Nanchang have been ordered by the Chinese High Command to hold Wanchiapu at all costs. Chinese reports state that Wanchiapu was still in Chinese hands up till noon yesterday. The Japanese forces are stated to have reached Fengan station, on the Kiukiang-Nanchang Railway. Fighting is said to be progressing at this point.

Intensive Bombing

The Japanese forces, who in the course of a flanking movement, are said to have encircled the Chinese left wing, are further reported to have reached Anyi and Fensin. They are stated to be continuing their drive southwards in the direction of the main highway connecting Nanchang with Changsha. The column is reported to be heading for Kaoan, which is stated to have been subjected to an intensive bombing yesterday by 48 Japanese 'planes.

Meanwhile, it is reported, another group of Japanese 'planes yesterday bombed Changshu and Chingkiang, the former on the Nanchang-Kian highway, and the latter on the railway from Nanchang to Hunan. Apparently, Chinese reports state, the Japanese aircraft were attempting to disrupt communications with Nanchang. Wuchen, on the west shore of the Poyang Lake, is stated to have been occupied by Japanese troops on March 24.

What Victory Would Mean

In a leading article today on the Nanchang operations, the "Hsin Hua Jih Pao," organ of the Chinese Communist Party, declares that the Japanese drive against Nanchang aims at cutting the Chekiang-Kiangsi Railway, and thus disrupting communications between Kiangsi and Chekiang provinces, and the interior of China.

At the same time, the journal declares, the occupation of Nanchang by the Japanese would pave the way for a large-scale campaign against the Chinese guerillas now operating in the Nanking, Wuhu and Shanghai areas, who would then be bottled up.

The paper states that the occupation of Nanchang would mean that the Japanese forces would threaten Changsha, the capture of which, it declares, is part of the Japanese programme aiming at the complete occupation of the Canton-Hankow Railway. The journal predicts a large-scale offensive by the Chinese forces in the Shanghai, Nanking and Wuhu areas, to exert pressure on the Japanese rear, and also to organize the Kiangsi populace for guerilla warfare.—Reuter.

Three Killed in Blast At Faversham

Investigation Rules Out Sabotage Theory

SPECIAL TO THE "N.C.D.N."

London, Mar. 25.

Three persons were killed as the result of an explosion in Faversham, at the works where explosives for use in quarries and mines are manufactured.

Five women were also injured in the explosion, which, it is stated, completely blew up one building.

The concussion was felt around a radius of 15 miles. The cause of the explosion is a mystery, but sabotage is officially ruled out.—Reuter.

World News in Brief

Glasgow, Mar. 26.—The cruiser Phoebe was launched here today, being christened by Countess Elgin. —Havas.

Palm Springs, Mar. 25.—Pretty Miss Jacqueline Cochrane claimed a women's light plane altitude record of 33,000 feet today at Palm Springs. She flew to a height of more than six miles over the desert.—United Press.

Sacramento, Mar 25.—Radio and telegraph will be used tomorrow when California's Governor, Mr. Culbert Olson, sends the first round-the-world telegram in history. The wire will travel over 65,000 miles of wire and cable from Sacramento and return.—United Press.

London, Mar. 26.—Diplomatic circles here expect an early adhesion of Nationalist Spain to the anti-Comintern pact, according to the "Sunday Times" which states that a representative of the Burgos Government will sign the pact within the next few days.—Trans-Ocean.

Chinese Renew Air Activities

Japanese Ships at Nanking Reported Bombed; Machines Appear Over Canton

Coincident with the reports of the renewal of Chinese air activities, deep mystery surrounds reports along the local waterfront circles yesterday according to which the ss. Fengyang Maru, a Japanese transport, was reported to have been bombed and sunk by one of two Chinese military planes which, according to these reports, attacked a convoy of three Japanese transports and a warship, as they were proceeding to Hankow.

The bombing was stated to have occurred at a point between Nanking and Kiukiang and was said to have taken place on March 12. Chinese members of the crew were said to have lost their lives and it was reported that the relatives of these men had approached various circles here with a view to obtaining compensation.

However, the N.K.K. steamer Fengyang Maru arrived in Shanghai safely from up-river on Saturday and nothing untoward seemed to have happened to the vessel. Inquiries after the vessel's arrival elicited the information that possibly another Japanese vessel had been the victim of Chinese aeroplanes. It was reported that a Chinese raiding squadron had succeeded in reaching Nanking and bombing Japanese steamers moored at Hsiakwan.

Chinese Bomb Canton

The report has it that the two Chinese planes involved suddenly dived at the convoy and whilst one plane machine-gunned the ship, the other let go a number of bombs, one of which was reported to have scored a direct hit, the ship sinking within a few minutes. The officers and crew of the ship, however, were said to have manned the anti-aircraft guns although it could not be learned whether or not any of the machines were actually hit or shot down.

That Chinese military planes have been active during the past few weeks, is confirmed in a Reuter's message from Chungking dated yesterday, according to which a squadron of Chinese bombers appeared over Canton on the morning of March 22.

The report goes on to state that the 'planes met with little anti-aircraft fire.

Ten Planes Destroyed

After visiting Canton, they are said to have proceeded to the Tienho and Paiyun aerodromes, where over 10 large-size Japanese 'planes were sighted on the ground. These 'planes are reported to have been set on fire when the Chinese aircraft "heavily bombed" the aerodromes.

Shanghai Municipal Orchestra

For the greater part the concert yesterday was of a nature popularly classical, being composed of standard works. The exceptions were the two arias from Puccini's last opera 'Turandot', and a scene from 'Werther.' Of the last-named, it might be said that Moonlight by Massenet is apt, by comparison, to appear thin after the radiance of Mozart's 'Jupiter.'

The overture to the 'Marriage of Figaro' established a Mozartian mood, and then we came to the prominent feature of the evening which was the distinguished singing of Barbara Gilmar. The Recitative and Aria "E Susanna non vien" brought out the best qualities in this singer's voice: an unusual range, remarkable technique and most important, expression born of intelligent understanding of her art. Followed thereupon, the last symphony of Mozart, No 41, anonymously and appropriately christened "Jupiter." The fact that this great work was written in fifteen days and contains, in the Finale, one of the most remarkable examples of contrapuntal inventiveness throughout the entire range of symphonic literature surely marks it as an artistic wonder of the world.

The broad aspect in the playing of this work was pleasing, but occasional lapses occurred in the individual contribution of the various departments; the quality of accuracy in every form is essential in the instrumental joinery of a Mozart symphony.

The last item was the prelude to "The Meistersingers." The orchestra bent to their task with a will, but the length of the step set was a bit too long for them and phrasing and balance were inclined thus to be conscious and laboured. One noticed that our third trombone, the bass of that ilk, had had his instrument specially polished for the occasion.

As a matter of fact, there is really little to be said about this concert: taken by and large, it was well up to standard. Occasionally, anyway, a critic will fall down on his job and stop listening, in which case it is probably better to talk about something else. We have it on good authority that G.B.S. once said that nothing is more boring than a critic who talks about nothing but music. Whilst we do not intend to stretch the theory to those lengths, it might be useful to air an idea which has been suggested.

Of recent times, there have been local performances specifically "in aid of the organ fund." Why not, then, one in aid of "the Piano," and what other than that of the Municipal Orchestra? Mind you, it would not be possible to collect sufficient money from a single performance, but if a series were arranged throughout the season in mid-week, the programme headed by artists whose names are known to have "full house" value, a sum could no doubt eventually be collected wherewith to acquire a modern concert grand. The question would then be where to keep it, but perhaps that bridge should be left until we are within jumping distance.
—H.

For two years responsible for the training of Merchant Service officers in anti-submarine tactics, as Admiral Commanding Reserves, Vice-Admiral Sir H. J. Studholme Brownrigg recently hoisted his flag as Commander-in-Chief at the Nore. The son of a colonel, as a midshipman in the Boxer War of 1900, he was one of the first foreigners to enter the "Forbidden City" of Pekin. A gunnery expert, he won his D.S.O. at Jutland, as commander of the flagship Barham, leader of the four "Queen Lizzie" battleships under Sir David Beatty, which, in the early phase of the action, bore the brunt of the battle.

Italians Commemorate Historic Event

20th Anniversary of "Fascio di Combattimento"

Commemorating the 20th anniversary of the creation in Milan by Premier Mussolini of the first "Fascio di Combattimento," the Italian community of Shanghai assembled in full strength at the Casso d'Italia yesterday morning to join in the world-wide celebrations of the historic event.

Father Gherzi celebrated Holy Mass in the presence of H.E. the Italian Ambassador and Marquise Taliani de Marchio, all the members of the Royal Italian Embassy and Consulate General, the Commander-in-Chief of the Italian Naval Forces in the Far East, officers and crew of the Italian men-of-war in port and of the San Marco Battalion, members of the local Fascist Party and a large number of local Italians.

The central hall of the Casa d'Italia assumed for the occasion a festive and solemn aspect and was decorated with the Italian national colours.

Following Holy Mass, a Te Deum of Thanksgiving took place after which the Italian Ambassador delivered a speech with which he stressed the importance not only from an Italian national point of view, of the historic event from which sprang the renewed power of Italy.

Refreshments were served at the end of the ceremony.

Bowling Group Honours Supt. R. J. Crouch

Beautiful Present Given Departing Member

One of the last of a large series of farewell affairs in honour of Mr. R. J. Crouch, retiring Superintendent of the Shanghai Muncipal Police who is leaving for England on April 1, was held at the Bubbling Well Police Station at noon yesterday when the Bubbling Well station bowling club made a presentation to Mr. Crouch, consisting of a beautiful silver cocktail shaker, goblets and a tray suitably inscribed, Mr. J. Bowie made the presentation on behalf of the club and wished the guest of honour many years of happy and well-earned retirement expressing the hope that he would not give up bowling after leaving these shores and pointing out that in Mr. Crouch, the club was losing one of its most successful and keenest members.

In his reply, Mr. Crouch thanked the club for the beautiful present and visibly moved, said that the club would be one of the Shanghai institutions that he would miss most. He proposed a toast to the future prosperity of the club and asked all those present at the affair, to call on him in England, when they shall be there.

"Raffles" Who Stole $1,800,000

Fantastic Exploits of A Hollywood Burglar

Hollywood, Mar. 25.

A fantastic "raffles" who specialized in robbing homes of Hollywood film stars has confessed that he stole stocks valued at US$1,800,000 from the meat packer magnate, Mr. George Hormel, and then sold them back to him for US$25,000.

The so-called "phantom burglar," Ralph Graham, revealed this neat bit of burglarious high finance in a confession to Hollywood police today. He was arrested yesterday on suspicion of stealing nearly US$1,000,000 worth of jewels from Hollywood screen celebrities. It was also learned that he was wanted for murder in Jacksonville, Florida.—United Press.

Capacity Congregation At Marine Church

The Fourth Marines' church service and concert programme, held in the Metropol Theatre yesterday morning, was attended by a capacity congregation with hundreds unable to secure admittance. Chaplain R. R. Marken of the Fourth Marines, conducted the worship, delivering an excellent sermon on the topic "God's Second Question."

Under the direction of Bandmaster Levis E. Giffin, the Fourth Marines Band opened the service with the prelude "O Lord, Our God, Thy Mighty Hand" by Dyke and for the the offertory played Rubinstein's "Romance". By special request the band rendered as the special music of the service the beautiful aria "Evening Star" from "Tannhauser" by Wagner. Hymns sung in the service were led by Sergeant Sheehan with musical accompaniment by the band.

Following the service, the China Harmonica Orchestra, under the capable direction of Mr. C. L. Wang, presented an excellent concert programme. The fine programme rendered proves them to be one of the finest musical units in the city. Selections rendered included the overture "Poet and Peasant" by Suppe and Sousa's stirring march "Stars and Stripes Forever." A harmonica quartet, the Messrs. Sung, Kan, Wu and Woo, rendered as a special number the "Oxen Minuet" by Haydn. Featured as the harmonica soloist in the concert was Mr. C. L. Wang, who rendered Iwanow's "Caucasian Suite" No. 2 (In The Village). Also included in the selections by the orchestra was Wailteufel's renowned waltz "Espana" and the American National Anthem. The conclusion of each rendition was greeted by tremendous applause by the large audience.

Fascist Celebrations

Scenes at local Italian celebrations of Fascist anniversary with, below, Marquis Taliani de Marchio, the Ambassador, addressing the gathering.

Japanese Thanks to Fire Brigade

The "North-China Daily News" learns that the Japanese authorities of Shanghai have extended their warmest thanks to the Shanghai Fire Brigade and the Municipal Police for their services in connection with the disastrous fire at the N.Y.K. godown on Friday night which seriously threatened the Japanese Consulate-General. The fire was still smouldering yesterday but a party of firemen were still on the job damping down.

Two Buses Involved In Accident

Only Slight Material Damage Caused

The strict traffic regulations recently enforced by the Japanese authorities in Hongkew, Wayside and other districts under their control, did not prevent an accident in which two buses were involved shortly after 2 p.m. yesterday at the intersection of Broadway and Minghong Roads. One of the vehicles belongs to the Japanese operated fleet of buses which circulate the main streets of all the districts North of Soochow Creek, whilst the other bus conveys Jewish refugees living in the northern districts to and from Garden Bridge.

According to an eye-witness of the accident, the Japanese vehicle had pulled up at one of the stops almost immediately facing Minghong Road on Broadway whilst the Jewish operated vehicle was coming down Broadway on its trip to the Garden Bridge. The Japanese bus then began to move and without taking notice of the Jewish bus, tried to turn into Minghong Road, crashing into the Jewish bus and causing considerable damage to the fender and the left running board. Fortunately, no-one was injured in the mishap which, had it not been for the comparatively slow speed at which both vehicles were being driven at the time, may have had very serious consequences.

Due to the fact that some 3,000 jewish refugees live in Northern districts who wish to come South of the Bridge occasionally, the committee in charge of their welfare decided some time ago to purchase a bus of its own, in order to save money. The Jewish operated bus makes several trips each day, according to a fixed schedule.

The accident yesterday, it was understood, was being investigated both by the S. M. P. and the Japanese Consular police.

Big Opium Seizure By Customs

$50,000 of Drug Found on Steamer from Tientsin

Fifty thousand dollars worth of opium is reported to have been seized by the Customs authorities on Saturday morning on board the ss. Kweisang which arrived in Shanghai from Tientsin on Friday last.

The contraband was hidden in 27 big baskets of Tientsin vegetables and it is said to weigh nearly 4,000 ounces. The persons in charge of the transportation escaped when the baskets were opened for a search and therefore no arrests were made. The drug and the vegetables contained in the baskets were all confiscated.

After the boat had arrived at the Peking Road jetty on Friday, Customs officers went aboard and searched for two hours but no contraband was found then. On Saturday morning the officers boarded the steamer again at about 6 a.m. and after making a search lasting four hours they found out that the vegetable baskets were used chiefly for the purpose of smuggling opium to Shanghai.

Reds Sent to East Chekiang Front

Recapture of Hangchow Aim Of Chinese Drive; Japanese Held Along Coast

A review of Chinese telegrams and reports indicates that little progress has been made by the Japanese in trying to take any of the important coastal districts in east Chekiang although fighting has been continuously going on during the past few days. While the Japanese are presumably trying to take Kinhwa and Ningpo, the Chinese forces are losing no time in counter-attacking Hangchow so as to attack the Japanese from the rear.

As it has been predicted that the Japanese attack in east Chekiang will force Chinese forces including guerillas there to cooperate with communists more closely than before, Chou En-lai, a communist leader in the Chungking Government who recently arrived in Chekiang, held a military conference with provincial leaders and is now reported to be sending part of the New 4th Route Army (a strong Communist force) to the Chekiang front.

It is admitted that Japanese troops have succeeded in effecting a landing along the coast but that their advance has been checked by five divisions of Chinese troops newly sent to the front. Last Friday, Japanese war vessels anchored off Hangchow Bay shelled Yu Yeo but it is claimed that only little damage was done.

Meanwhile, large numbers of Chinese soldiers have crossed the Chien Tang River landing on the northern bank of the river in order to counter attack Hangchow where the situation is said to be tense. New Japanese and "puppet" soldiers are said to have arrived in the lake city.

While fighting the Japanese forces, Chinese military authorities are stated to have raided several pro-Japanese espionage establishments in Wenchow, Haimen and Ningpo resulting in the arrest of more than 70 spies. They will be tried by a military court.

Several Liners Due In Shanghai

President Coolidge With Heavy Mail Expected

The all-electric luxury liner, ss. President Coolidge of the American President Lines will arrive from Los Angeles and San Francisco, via Honolulu, Yokohama and Kobe on March 31, berthing at buoys 11 and 12.

Passengers will disembark by tender and will arrive at the Customs Jetty at 11.30 a.m. This steamer carries a heavy cargo of mail and many passengers for Shanghai. She is under the command of Capt. K. A. Ahlin. The President Coolidge will sail for Hongkong and Manila at 6 a.m. on Saturday, the last tender leaving the Customs Jetty at 1 a.m.

Vessels arriving today include the Blue Funnel ss. Philoctetes from Liverpool and way ports. She sails tomorrow for Japan ports. Another Blue Funnel vessel, ss. Ixion, which arrived yesterday from the Pacific coast, will leave Shanghai on Thursday for Hongkong. Bound for Genoa, Rotterdam and Hamburg, the Hamburg Amerika liner mv. Burgenland sails from Shanghai today.

Sailing tomorrow for Marseilles, Gibraltar and London, via Hongkong, Singapore, Penang, Colombo, Cochin, Aden, Port Sudan, Suez, Port Said and Malta, is the P. & O. liner, Canton. The last tender leaves the Customs Jetty at 10.20 a.m. tomorrow, hand packages only being accepted on this vessel. Heavy baggage will be received into a lighter at the Customs Jetty between 2 and 3 p.m. today.

On Wednesday the Blue Funnel ss. Eurybates from New York will arrive in port and will sail on March 31 for Japan ports. The N.D.L. liner, Potsdam, which is expected in Shanghai today, will leave port on Wednesday for Genoa, Southampton, Rotterdam, Bremen and Hamburg, via Hongkong, Manila, Singapore, Belawan, Colombo and Port Said. Passengers may embark in the tender, Scot I, which leaves the Customs Jetty at 11 a.m. on Wednesday, or, between the hours of 10 a.m. and 12 noon, they may embark directly at the Shanghai and Hongkew Wharf, Broadway.

On January 19 Aden had been a British possession one hundred years. It was captured from pirates by British seamen, the 2nd Battalion Royal Dublin Fusiliers, and the former 21st and 24th Bombay Light Infantry Regiments of the Indian Army. Sir Bernard Reilly, the Governor, is a former officer of the Indian Army. British troops in Aden consist now of Artillery, Engineers, and Signals. They are under the orders of the Air Force Officer Commanding in Aden.

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Japanese Army Errors Produce More Conservative Japan

Return of Ambassador's Ashes In American Warship Has Remarkable Effect; New Premier's Policy

Tokyo, Mar. 25.

THERE are indications that Japan is turning away from the Fascist trends of recent years and leaning toward a more conservative course. The movements toward Fascism which cropped out in 1936 and appeared last year to be on the way toward success have been brought almost to a standstill since the Hiranuma Cabinet came into office.

In one of those rare cases of psychological timing, the courtesy extended by the United States Government in sending home in state the ashes of the late Ambassador Mr. Hiroshi Saito seems to have picked up this shift away from the totalitarian ideology and given it added momentum.

There has been nothing in recent years to match outpouring of gratitude which came from the Japanese people when President Roosevelt ordered an American cruiser assigned to return Mr. Saito's ashes to his homeland.

The truculence which the Japanese press and officials had shown over the proposal to develop Guam island disappeared immediately. Editorial writers and orators held forth on the traditional friendship between the United States and Japan, recalled Theodore Roosevelt's help in ending the Russo-Japanese war and concluded that it would be better to enhance rather than rupture formerly pleasant relationships.

Reply Toned Down

At the time a Japanese reply to a stiff American protest over infringement of American rights in China was being prepared. The desire to respond to America's gesture in the Saito case was so strong that officials decided to rewrite and tone down sections of the Japanese answer.

When Baron Kiichiro Hiranuma was selected as Premier to succeed Prince Fumimaro Konoye those who were content with surface indications interpreted the selection as evidence that Japan was headed toward Fascism.

Baron Hiranuma had been known at one time as Japan's leading Fascist but in recent years had turned conservative. At the time he became Premier, he was a firm advocate of keeping Japan away from any change in its traditional form of Government.

Premier's Conservative Policy

The first months of Baron Hiranuma's premiership demonstrated his conservative nature. They also brought other developments showing a waning in the enthusiasm which once had been wrapped around the so-called Berlin-Rome-Tokyo axis.

The military clique which had advocated closer connections with the European totalitarian groups found itself involved in a discouraging situation in China. Its leaders could see no way of closing out the China war with any glory to themselves or of capitalizing on their military victories.

The Army lost so much prestige over the failure of its China intrigues, notably in the Wang Ching-wei and Wu Pei-fu fiascos, that in March its leaders asked Prince Konoye to go to China to see if he could find some way of pulling them out of their difficulties.

Prince Konoye declined, feeling that it would not be dignified for the President of the Privy Council to undertake such a mission. He told friends that if he had been only a Cabinet Minister without portfolio—that is his other public office — he would have consented.

Army Strongly Criticized

Prince Konoye has been persuaded to remain in the Cabinet because of his immense popularity among the people. There is no military figure to match him in personal appeal among the Japanese.

The Army has been criticized strongly because of its inability to wind up the China war and this has placed it in a position where its suggestions are apt to be turned down because of its record of success in bungling nearly every effort outside of the purely military. This has resulted in a feeling that, since the exploratory flirting with Fascism has brought such meagre results, a turnabout toward conservative government is advisable.

General Sadao Araki is another outstanding Japanese figure who was supposed to have Fascist leanings. He was Minister of Education in the Konoye Cabinet and carried over in the same capacity in the Hiranuma Cabinet.

But like, Baron Hiranuma, Gen. Araki is not developing in the Fascist mould. Instead, he is known among those who know him as a kind-hearted, genial old man who wants nothing more than to be known as the best Education Minister Japan ever had. —United Press.

Slovak, Hungarian Armistice

Fighting Ceases on Border, Commission to Investigate; Frontier Delimitation

Prague, Mar. 25.

The commander of the Slovak forces at Presov has announced that an armistice has been concluded between the Slovak and the Hungarian troops, and that fighting has ceased.

The news comes in a despatch from Presov, and adds that, nevertheless, the Hungarians are still fortifying villages on their new front, and are expelling the inhabitants.

The mixed Slovak-Hungarian Commission, established to deal with the situation that led to an armed clash, will meet on March 27. Meanwhile, minor engagements between Slovak and Hungarian troops have occurred in eastern Slovakia.—Reuter.

Border Delimitation Negotiations

Paris, Mar. 25.

The Hungarian Government has proposed to the Slovak Government the appointment of a joint commission for the delimitation of the Slovak-Hungarian frontiers, according to a dispatch from Bratislava. The proposal was immediately accepted, and a commission will leave on Monday for Budapest to begin negotiations, according to the same source.—Reuter.

Germany and Poland

Berlin, Mar. 25.

It is semi-officially announced here that no customs or currency union will be concluded between Germany and Slovakia, though Germany has declared herself ready to support the Slovak Government in building up Slovak economy and currency.

"No Aggression" Comment

In an inspired article, the "Diplomatische Korrespondenz" assures Poland that Germany has no aggressive intentions towards her.

"The Reich regards the existence of a strong national Poland as a political necessity, and an indispensable factor in the maintenance of order in Eastern Europe," the paper states.

"The establishment of a joint frontier with Hungary, moreover, caused all the rumours of Germany's eastern plans of expansion to collapse," it adds.—Reuter.

Poland Ready for Anybody

Warsaw, Mar. 25.

"We are ready for war with any adversary, no matter how strong," declares the "Polska Zbrojna," official organ of the Polish Army in a leader today.

"We want to make things absolutely clear. The Polish nation has no inferiority complex where powerful nations are concerned," it goes on. "The Poles are not afraid of the number of divisions of her enemies, of the technical equipment, nor of any bombast," the paper adds.

"The number of our own divisions, the fighting spirit of the people, our technical equipment, and the manly attitude of the nation, are absolutely sufficient for victory," the "Polska Zbrojna" continues. "We are well aware that our bayonets will ensure victory. We are waiting for them," it adds.—Reuter.

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FROM DAY TO DAY

MR. and Mrs. E. W. Turnbull entertained a number of friends to cocktails in their apartment at Cavendish Court yesterday evening.

THE representation of armed forces in the Italian Senate has been increased by the nomination of 14 admirals and 25 generals.

THE Emperor of Japan, wishing to conform with the national wartime economy policy, purchased a charcoal burning motor-car this week in an effort to save petrol for Japanese Army and Navy war-planes.

DR. Carlton Lacy will continue his talks on the work of the Bible Society tomorrow at 8.30 p.m. over radio station XMHD. The subject this week will be "The Bible—A Disturbing Book."

COUNT Galeazzo Ciano and M. Hachiro Arita, respectively Italian and Japanese Foreign Ministers, exchanged telegrams of felicitation on Friday upon the signature of an Italo-Nipponese cultural agreement.

THE Countess of Derby, who kept her golden wedding so quietly on account of the recent death of her elder son, Lord Stanley, was Liverpool's first woman magistrate. She is the daughter of the famous "Double Duchess"—of Manchester and later of Devonshire—who ruled English society in later Victorian and Edwardian days.

PAN-American Airways announced on Saturday that the giant seaplane, California Clipper, will start on its regular passenger transport service across the Pacific Ocean from San Francisco to Hongkong on March 29. The Clipper weighs 41 tons and can carry 74 passengers. Pan-American Airways now possesses four craft of this type and two more are under construction.

THE early inauguration of the Sino-British air line between Chungking and Rangoon is expected by Chinese circles in Chungking. The formal inauguration of this service, it is stated, has hitherto been delayed on account of the necessary extension of the Lashio air field. The work is now said to be nearing completion.

THE Japanese in Hongkong are now purchasing large quantities of camphor wood with a view to manufacturing trunks to compete with such American and European products in the China market, says a Hongkong Chinese message to the "Shun Pao." The Canton City Government, under instructions from the Japanese authorities, the report adds, has issued an order prohibiting the export of camphor wood.

THE Prince of Hesse arrived in Rome on Saturday bringing a message to Signor Benito Mussolini from Reichsfuehrer Adolf Hitler on the occasion of the twentieth anniversary of the first Fascist fighting organization foundation. One year ago, when the Prince of Hesse visited Rome the last time, he brought Il Duce a message from Herr Hitler explaining the Anschluss and asserting the sacred nature of the Germano-Italian frontier at the Brenner Pass.

JUDGES are well known for inquiring into the precise nature of things "What is——." Lord Hewart, the L.C.J., who was 69 yesterday, wants to know why in the South of England we speak of "a boy," and in the North he is "a lad." "I am a Lancashire lad," he says. "I am not a 'bing boy' or one of the boys. I am Lancashire by birth, Scottish by absorption, and New Zealand by adoption and coalition." Lady Hewart is a New Zealander.

MR. "Will" Spens, who received a knighthood in the New Year Honours, probably owes it to his work as Chairman of the Consultative Committee of the Board of Education. He is Master of Corpus Christi College, Cambridge, and has been Vice-Chancellor of the university. Of late years he has become much interested in pre-university education, and does not believe, like some glib educationists, in a university career for everybody, or even for every clever lad.

SIR Percy Loraine who will succeed Lord Perth as British Ambassador in Rome, is a man of great refinement, but underneath the velvet glove he has both determination and shrewdness. He knows Egypt and the Sudan intimately, for he was High Commissioner for four years. And he knows, therefore, Italian policy and ambitions in North Africa, for the Italians form the largest foreign population in Egypt, next to the Greeks, and many more than the British population.

THE following are among the passengers for Shanghai on board the President Coolidge, which is to arrive here from America and Honolulu on March 31: Miss M. Armstrong Mr. and Mrs. P. R. Danner Mr. A. K. Karg Mr. D. L. Lee Mrs. W. G. MacDonald and Daughter Mr. J. M. Major Mrs. C. Rabeneu Mr. H. Ross Mrs. C. Vongehr Mr. A. N. Ades Miss Doris Barnard Mrs. Anna Chen and daughter Mr. Raymond Gokson Mr. Dju Hsui Miss Jane Innes Mr. and Mrs. J. J. James Mr. S. B. Woo Mr. S. E. Woo Mr. S. A. Lian and Mr. C. J. Lian.

AFTER 20 years' labour and an expenditure of £65,000 the second volume of Messrs Harrap's standard French and English Dictionary—the English-French section—has now been published. To celebrate the completion of this stupendous task the publishers gave a dinner at the Carlton Hotel to a large number of distinguished guests. The French Ambassador, M. Corbin, had intended to be present, but was called to Paris. Mr. J. E. Mansion, editor of the dictionary, said there were 148,000 words in it which included such colloquial expressions as "to come home with the milk."

ORGANIZATION of a water police force to patrol the "Reformed Government's" territorial waters extending from the Yangtze delta to the Hangchow Bay is being studied by the Nanking régime, Mr. Jen Yuan-tao, Minister of Public Security, stated in a press interview here yesterday. Without a Ministry of the Navy, the "Reformed Government" has instructed its Public Security Ministry to handle affairs relating to the policing of waterways temporarily, Mr. Jen stated. Mr. Jen further revealed that the number of militiamen under the control of the "Reformed Government" now totalled about 20,000. These were stationed along the railways in Kiangsu, Chekiang and Anhwei provinces, he said.

Chinese Shot Dead In Theatre

Ticket Collector Killed While Play in Progress; Murderers Escape

Guns again barked in the western district yesterday afternoon and when the smoke cleared away the panic-stricken manager and employees of a Chinese theatre found one of their colleagues dead in a pool of blood near one of the front row seats with three bullet wounds in the head and other parts of the body.

Pandemonium reigned in the Tung Lo Theatre, an amusement centre frequented by poor Chinese and located in the eastern part of Fah Hwa Cheng near Avenue Haig when at about 3.30 o'clock three pistol shots were fired in quick succession when the theatre was doing capacity house business.

There was a drama in a drama for a Kiangpeh play was being staged, Chen Hsiao El-tze, a man supervising the circulation of tickets of the establishment, was shot through the temple.

Theatre goers shouted and dashed to places of safety and during the confusion two more shots were heard fired and the assassins, believed to be three in number, easily escaped by mingling with the crowd. According to employees of the theatre three men, one of whom was clad in foreign clothes, entered the theatre and sat in a row with their victim. Suddenly one of the men produced a pistol and shot the victim in the head. He collapsed but thinking that he might still be alive the two other men shot him through the breast.

Chinese sources last night did not attach political importance to the murder thinking that it was an act of personal revenge. The police of the new Greater Shanghai City Government visited the scene of violence but until late last night no clues had been found.

Portuguese Steamer Allowed to Sail

Ship Bottled Up at Canton Leaving for Macao

Canton, Mar. 26.

After having been bottled up here for nearly five months—ever since the Japanese occupation—the Portuguese steamer Shing Cheong is reliably learnt to have been given permission by the Japanese authorities to leave for Macao today.

It is also learned that the vessel will make fortnightly trips to Canton from Macao, as the British steamer Kingshan is doing at present from Hongkong. It is not known whether any arrangements have been made concerning the other four river steamers, all British, bottled up here, namely, the Tungen, Kweng Sai, Tai Lee and Tai Ming.—Reuter.

Chinese Artillery Positions Bombed

A Japanese Air Base, Mar. 26.

Large formations of Japanese Army aircraft at 2 o'clock this afternoon raided Chinese artillery positions at Sihsing, across the Chientang River from Hangchow. Heavy damage was claimed having been inflicted upon the Chinese.—Domei.

Car Production in U.S. Canada

New York, Mar. 24.

A substantial increase in the number of cars and trucks produced in the United States and Canada was recorded for the week ended March 24, according to the weekly estimate by Ward.

The number of cars and trucks produced during the period under review was placed at 89,400 units, showing an increase of 2,675 units over last week.

Production during the corresponding period last year was estimated at 56,900 units, representing a decline of 32,500 units compared with the current figure.—Reuter.

Paris Bourse

Paris, Mar. 24.

The Bourse opened firm on all counters today with transactions lively and purchases numerous. Favourable dispositions accentuated during the session, which closed with the majority of stocks at higher levels than at the opening. Rentes were firmest.—Havas.

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U.S. War Department Heads Before Committee

Mr. Louis Johnson, U.S. Assistant Secretary of War (left) and Mr. Harry Woodring, Secretary of War (right) as they appeared before the Senate Military Affairs Committee at Washington in connection with the sale of military planes to France.

Italy's Case Outlined By Mussolini

(Continued from page 7)

"Geographically, historically, politically, and militarily the Mediterranean is vital space for Italy," Signor Mussolini stressed. "When we say the Mediterranean we naturally include the Adriatic where Italian interests are predominant although unexclusive towards the Slavs. Now for the last but fundamental point. We must arm; our watchword must be 'more guns, more ships, more planes at any cost and by all means, even if all civilized life must be abolished. When one is strong one is dear to one's friends and feared by one's enemies. Since the pre-historic days one cry has followed every generation: "woe upon the weak." Comrades of the Squadristi, glorious Blackshirts, we have fought and shall fight today, ready to give our blood if Italian interests and the interests of Fascism are at stake."

Il Duce then, as is usual in his speeches, put forward a question directly to his listeners.

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A thunderous chorus of 'No's' answered Signor Mussolini's question.

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Work of Fascist Revolution

Earlier in his address, Il Duce had stressed the work accomplished by the Fascist revolution "which is not yet finished and has hardly begun for social problems."

He recalled how many times the democracies had announced the certain collapse of Fascist Italy. Italy was said to have lost her strength in the Ethiopian campaign, to have needed a foreign loan which would naturally have been British (Howls and whistles).

"What has been done is important, but what there is to do is more important still," he continued. "We shall do it because my will knows no obstacle and your spirit remains unaffected," Il Duce declared in conclusion."—Havas.

ELVEDEN, where the Prime Minister spent some days recently, is not only one of the most delightful seats in Suffolk, but has also an interesting link with armaments. During the early part of the war a large portion of the estate was enclosed and strictly guarded, and local residents—and others—wondered at the frequent visits of statesmen and famous soldiers. Not until after the tanks made their debut in the battle of the Somme did it leak out that Elveden had been the trial ground of the new engines of destruction.

B.B.C. Language in The Navy

Engine Room Artificer Brings Action Against Captain, C.-in-C.

An action for damages alleging wrongful imprisonment was brought by Engine-room Artificer Eric Jenkins, of H.M.S. Curacoa, against his Captain and Commander-in-Chief before Mr. Justice Hallett in the King's Bench Division.

The defendants were Captain R. Shelley and Admiral of the Fleet the Earl of Cork and Orrery. The question in the action was whether an offence with which Jenkins was charged was one which could be dealt with summarily—as was done—or one which could be dealt with only by court-martial.

Sir Stafford Cripps, K.C., appeared for Jenkins, and the Attorney-General, Sir Donald Somervell, K.C., represented the Captain and the Admiral.

The Facts

Sir Stafford Cripps said there was no dispute about the facts. Jenkins was an engine-room artificer of the fourth class, with the rating of a Chief Petty Officer. His punishment was ordered by the Captain and approved by the Admiral.

On January 19, 1938, the Chief Engine-room Artificer, Jenkins's superior officer, entered the mess and gave the order to begin work. Everyone left except Jenkins and a stoker, whereupon the officer said, "Turn to, Jenkins."

Jenkins got up and said: "Well, it has got to come at last, Chief. I am not going to do any more for the Admiralty. Will you tell the Chief that when you go along?"

As the result Jenkins was sentenced to 42 days' detention. He served 36 days, having obtained remission of six days.

Sir Stafford argued that by Article 552 of the King's Regulations a man of Jenkins's rank could be sentenced summarily only for mutiny, insubordinate conduct, desertion, and deserting post.

The defence said Jenkins was sentenced for "highly insubordinate conduct," but the offence he was charged with was "wilfully disobeying the lawful command of his superior officer."

That could not be "highly insubordinate conduct." A distinction was quite clearly drawn in the Regulations between acts of wilful disobedience to orders and acts of mutiny and insubordination.

Mr. Justice Hallett said: "Insubordination is a Latin word, but my Latin may be getting a little rusty. I should think that in the language of ordinary life disobedience to orders of a superior officer who had the right to give them is insubordination."

"If He had Said—"

The judge added that if Jenkins, when told to turn to, had merely sat there and said nothing, that would be disobedience. Sir Stafford: If he had said, "Go to Hell"—although they would not use such language in the Navy—that might be insubordination.

The judge: If he had said "To Hell with the Admiralty," instead of saying, in B.B.C. language, "I'm not going to do any more for the Admiralty," there is a distinction, I suppose? He may have sat making gestures but saying nothing, yet making his disobedience more obnoxious.

Sir Stafford said the damages were "at large," except for £16 13s. loss of pay.

Case for the Defence

The Attorney-General submitted that Sir Stafford Cripps had wholly misconstrued the effect of article 552 of King's Regulations.

It was a matter within the discretion of the Captain as to whether the insubordination amounted to highly-insubordinate conduct or not. Wilful disobedience was insubordination. No distinction was drawn.

Judgment was reserved.

THE longest tenure of office among present-day Prime Ministers in the British Empire stands to the credit of Lord Craigavon, formerly Sir James Craig, who is 68. Entering politics after distinguished service in the South Africa war, he joined Lord Carson in the fight to save Ulster from inclusion in the Irish Free State. On the formation of the Parliament of Northern Ireland in 1921 he was unanimously elected Premier—an office he has filled with unabating popularity ever since.

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Paris Thinks President Lebrun Will Be Re-Elected

Second President In French History To Be Thus Honoured If He Will Stand Again

Paris, Mar. 25.

THERE is a growing feeling among political observers here that President Albert Lebrun may become the second President in the history of the Republic to be re-elected after completing a seven-year term as head of the State. The French Presidential elections are to take place on April 5 at Versailles, when the National Assembly meets in Congress Hall. There will be gathered together 618 Deputies and 394 Senators.

Congress Hall, scene of their meeting, was added in 1875 to the Versailles Palace which was adopted as a residence of the kings of France by Lous XIV, and which remained one of their palaces until the Revolution. The Hall is in the shape of a huge semi-circle with colonnades all around. Upper galleries are reserved for the public and rise in tiers of seats. In the Hall itself there are benches for the members of the Assembly.

M. Jules Jeanneney, as President of the Senate, will take the chair on April 5 and the elections will then be held by secret ballot. An urn will be placed on the central tribune and an usher will then call out the names of the assembled Deputies and Senators in alphabetical order.

The procession of voters will last rather a lengthy period of time, but after it is concluded, members drawn by lot will retire to an adjoining hall to count the votes.

Should no candidate secure a clear majority in this first poll, a second will be held. And more will take place if need be until a definite result is attained. The successful candidate will then be proclaimed President of the Republic of France by the President of the National Assembly.

Historic Facts

M. Lebrun, it was remarked today, is only the fifth President since the foundation of the Republic to have served his full term in office. Only one before him stood for re-election; this was Jules Grevy.

President Lebrun

To the present time, only three men have officially announced their candidature for the Presidency. These include M. Fernand Bouisson, who was President of the Chamber of Deputies for more than ten years before his replacement by M. Edouard Herriot in 1936. M. Bouisson is a former Socialist, has remained aloof from Party disputes for many years and has gained many sympathizers in all political groups.

M. Henri Queuille, present Minister of Agriculture, is the second candidate. He is a Radical Socialist, a specialist in agricultural problems. He has held the Agriculture portfolio in various Cabinets irrespective of their political tendencies.

The third is M. Justin Godard, Radical Socialist Senator and former minister. He often presides over humanitarian and religious organizations, including the French Zionists.

Asked To Stand Again

Up to the present time, President Lebrun has refused to stand for re-election. But it is understood that several prominent politicians are urging him to reconsider his decision so as to avoid political strife and to allow the country to enjoy his experience another seven years.

Should he agree to stand for re-election, it was held for granted that he would secure an almost unanimous vote reinstating him in office.—Havas.

Belgium to Retain Independence

Pacific Role In European Affairs Described; Policy Of No Meddling

Brussels, Mar. 25.

Belgium's desire to live in peace and to practice loyally a policy of complete independence, was reaffirmed by the Communications and Public Works Minister M. Marck when he made an electoral address in Eupen this evening.

He also emphasized Belgium's determination to prevent any violations of her territory. "Belgium herself has no territorial ambitions," he stated. "We are the most peaceful people in the world, and it is not from our side that a serious conflict my arise with any of our neighbours.

"We want to live in friendship with all the people who surround us. "We refrain from meddling in their internal affairs, and we refuse to follow the course of another nation's political or military policies for we realistically and loyally practice a policy of complete independence.

"The people of Belgium will never retreat before threats or danger, however, should their rights, their liberty or their honour be in the balance.

"For the time being, we must be ready for any eventuality and it is our duty to strengthen our national unity," M. Marck concluded.—Havas.

Berlin Accusations Ended

Brussels, Mar. 25.

Belgium will not be included in any manner whatsoever in Anglo-French political and military plans, official Belga news agency announced today replying to allegations printed by the "Berliner Boersen Zeitung."

The latter newspaper asserted that Belgium, the Netherlands and Switzerland were included in Anglo-French schemes aiming at the encirclement of the Reich. It even stated that these three small countries' relations with Germany had become of a dubious nature.

In reply, Belga agency stated today, "Insofar as Belgium is concerned, the German newspaper has no basis for its statements. Whatever may be Anglo-French plans, Belgium is not and will not be involved in any manner, even without her knowledge," the Belga note read. Belgium's relations with all her neighbours, no matter who they may be, contain no suspicion."—Havas.

Another State Pauses To Wonder

Tiny Leichtenstein Anxious About Its Fate

Vaduz, Mar. 26.

The government of the Principality of Liechtenstein issued an official statement yesterday saying that the formation of Greater Germany has had its effects even in that forgotten corner of Europe.

As one gathers from this statement, 10,000 German-speaking citizens of this miniature Alpine state which, since 1920, is no longer in a customs union with Austria but instead with Switzerland, are carrying on a violent controversy as to whether Liechtenstein should or not enter into an economic union with the Reich. The majority of the younger generation is in favour of such a development, it is declared, while the elder and more conservative generation would prefer matters to remain as they are.

On Friday night a public meeting was held in Schaan by the supporters of the economic committee while the opponents held a demonstration simultaneously. Then something which has not occurred in Liechtenstein for 21 years past took place, namely, the police had to intervene and take a number of participants in these two meetings into custody.

One group of young men who were on the march to Schaan from other villages returned home, state the newspapers here, when informed about what had happened. "There is no ground for any kind of uneasiness", states the government communique in conclusion.—Trans-Ocean.

Fred Snite Growing Stronger

Paralysis Victim Now "Man About Town"

Miami Beach, Fla., Mar. 26.

Fred Snite, the 28-year-old infantile paralysis patient, whose travels in a specially-constructed "iron lung" have made him famous, has arrived here.

Described as the world's "sportiest" youth, Snite does everything from giving country club cocktail parties to attending horse races and the theatre.

The young man, lying in his "iron lung" trailer, does all the rounds of the man-about-town here. His trailer is driven into a *patio* for parties at exclusive country clubs, and at open-air cinemas he watches the screen from the mirror which is fitted immediately above his head in his mobile home.

Fred Snite, who was stricken with the disease at Peiping in April, 1936, while on a world tour, is getting slowly stronger, says his father, a wealthy Chicago businessman.—Reuter.

Memel German Prisoners To Be Released

Kaunas, Mar. 26.

The President of Lithuania decreed yesterday the release of 35 Memel Germans from prison. Fifteen of these had been sentenced by a military court for attempted evasion of military service while the other 20 had been imprisoned for political offences.—Trans-Ocean.

Anti-Nazis Parade In New York

100,000 People Addressed By Mayor; Protest Against Czechoslovakian Invasion

New York, Mar. 25.

One hundred thousand New Yorkers staged an anti-Nazi protest demonstration this afternoon when they marched through the main streets of the metropolis. Many of them carried placards with the inscription, "Hitler! Re-establish an Independent Czechoslovakia!" and various political and trade unionist slogans, all of an anti-Fascist character.

At stages in the demonstration the crowd shouted, "Europeans, resist!" but otherwise, the demonstrators maintained perfect order. They were kept from causing too much disturbance by a large number of policemen. The whole of this huge crowd proceeded to centre upon Columbus Circle, where Mayor Fiorello LaGuardia delivered a brief address.

Dr. Eduard Benes, former President of the Czechoslovakian Republic, and Dr. Jan Masaryk former Czech Minister in London, were present when the Mayor spoke.

In National Costumes

Large groups of Czechs, Slovaks, Rumanians, Hungarians and Poles, dressed in their national costumes, took part in the demonstration adding a bright note of colour.

In his speech, Mayor LaGuardia denounced in energetic terms the German invasion of Czechoslovakia, which he described as the "most recent international outrage."

"The world cannot be happy so long as certain countries violate the sovereignty of independent nations, invade their frontiers, steal their towns," he added.

"In the name of the population of New York, we express the deep sympathy of our people for the people of Czechoslovakia," he concluded.—Havas.

German Consul Handles Situation

San Francisco, Mar. 25.

Demonstrators protesting before the German Consulate-General today against the Reich's annexation of Czechoslovakia were not a little surprised when they were told that Captain Fritz Wiedemann, Consul-General would like to see their delegates in person.

Recovering from their amazement at this unexpected action, they nominated four delegates who went in to see Captain Wiedemann. The Consul received them at once and then explained to them that they were staging their demonstration "at the wrong address."

"The Consulate is incompetent in matters of policy," he stated, advising them to address their protests to the competent quarters in Washington.

Twelve demonstrators were arrested because they carried placards without permission. After replacing the signboards with American flags, however, the rest of the demonstrators continued.—Havas.

Currency Committee to Be Established

Change Made in Personnel Of Chinese Members

Chungking, Mar. 26.

Chinese reports state that an Anglo-Chinese Currency Stabilization Fund Committee will be established in Hongkong early next month.

The reports add that a change has been made in the personnel of the Chinese members of the Committee.

Mr. Li Tao-nan, it is stated, will replace Mr. Tang Shou-min as the representative on the Committee of the Bank of Communications.—Reuter.

OBITUARY

Lord Sanderson

SPECIAL TO THE "N.C.D.N."

London, Mar. 25.

The death occurred today of Lord Sanderson, first Baron of Hunmanby, at the age of 70 years. He was the eldest son of the late Mr. Thomas Sanderson Furniss, of Higham House, Stratford St. Mary, County of Suffolk.

Although he was blind from birth, he finished his studies at Oxford University, and was awarded a diploma in economics with distinction, in 1906. From 1907 till 1916, he was lecturer and tutor in economics at Ruskin College, Oxford. In 1916, he became Principal of this College and held this post till 1925.

For 20 years (1915-1935), the deceased was a member of the Central Executive Workers' Educational Association. In the General Election of 1918, Lord Sanderson figured as a Labour candidate for the University of Oxford, while, from 1931 till 1936, he was a member of the Parliamentary Executive of the Labour Party, from which, however, he resigned in 1938.

The late Lord Sanderson had been appointed a member of the Joint Committee of both Houses on the London Passenger Transport Bill in 1931, on the Water Resources and Supplies Bill during 1935-36, and on the Gas Prices Bill during 1936-37.

Besides his contributions to The Economic Journal and other periodicals, the late Lord Sanderson edited The Industrial Outlook. Among his publications were "Memories of Sixty Years" (1931).—Reuter.

Japan's Expansion to Antarctic

Claim Urged To Territory Found in 1919

Tokyo, Mar. 25.

The Japanese Government has been formally petitioned to unfurl the Flag of the Rising Sun over a section of the Antarctic which the petitioners claim to be Japanese territory.

In a recent telegraphic petition to its representative in the Diet, the Agricultural Convention of Nobeoka, Miyazaki Prefecture, told in narrative form the story of a Japanese naval lieutenant who led a crew of 20 into the dangerous waters of the Antarctic, where Lieut. Nobu Shirose nearly lost both his 204-ton ship and his crew. But the Lieutenant returned after having discovered and named the Yamato Snowfield, the Bay of Whales, Kainan and Okuma Bay.

Although that trip of exploration was made more than 20 years ago, the petitioners claimed that the territory is Japanese by international right of priority. They forgot, however, the modern usage in International Law requires that effective occupation, in addition to simple discovery, must be made before any claim can be internationally recognized as valid. The territories under consideration have not, for the most part, been occupied since the Lieuenant's visit in 1910.—United Press.

M. Georges Bonnet, the French Foreign Minister, and Mme. Bonnet have telegraphed condolences to Mrs. Sugimura, widow of the former Japanese Ambassador in Paris who died in Tokyo on Friday morning. The condolences are a personal expression of sympathy, for the late M. Sugimura had recently retired to Japan on giving up his diplomatic career.

Italian Pines Sent To Japan

Tokyo, Mar. 26.

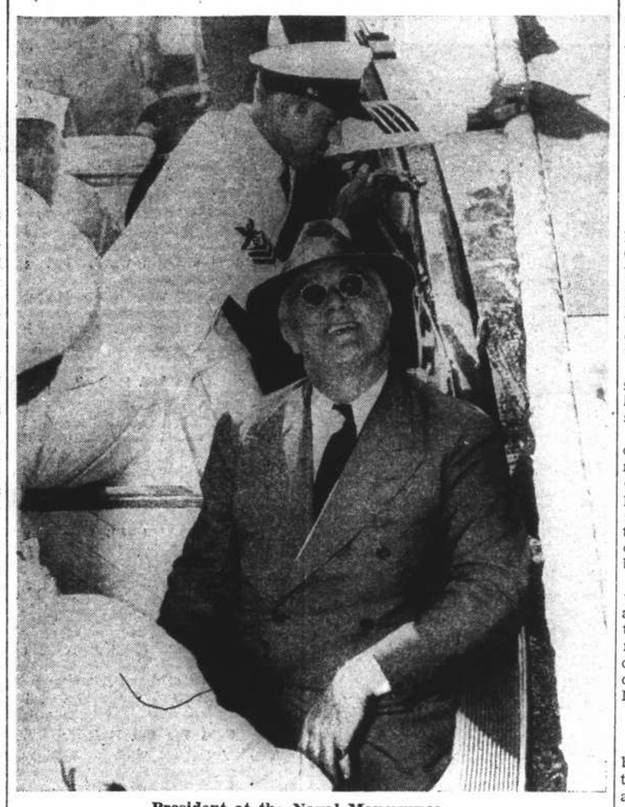
A token of goodwill between Japan and Italy consisting of 40 boxes of young pine plants arrived in Yokohama from Italy on the Conte Rosso yesterday.

The gift was sent by Premier Benito Mussolini to the city of Tokyo in return for the cherry trees presented by Mayor Ichita Kobashi some time ago as a symbol of friendship between the two countries. Municipal authorities will plant the pines in various parks throughout the city.—Domei.

Mrs. Roosevelt Present at Birth of Grandchild

Seattle, Mar. 25

The "first lady" of the United States will arrive in Seattle by plane tomorrow from California to await the birth of a child to her daughter, Mrs. John Boettiger. The baby will be President and Mrs. Roosevelt's eighth grandchild.—United Press.



President at the Naval Manœuvres

President Roosevelt pictured in a navy launch as he smiles good-bye on leaving the pier at the naval radio base at Key West, Fla., for the U.S.S. Houston in which he spent ten days reviewing the combined American fleet manœuvres in the Caribbean.

Shameen Thanks the British Navy

Presentation For Saving The Island From Flames

Canton, Mar. 26.

As an expression of their gratitude for the strenuous and successful efforts of the British Navy to save Shameen from being reduced to ashes by fire in the critical days of October, a silver plaque has been presented to the Commander of the West River Flotilla by the members of the British Association in Canton.

The presentation took place aboard H.M.S. Tarantula on the eve of the gunboat's departure for Hongkong for recommissioning, and was made by Mr. A. E. Smith, local manager of Messrs. Jardine, Matheson and Co., who is President of the Association.

It will be recalled that at the end of October last year, when Canton city resembled a vast inferno, British bluejackets and Shameen residents kept watch day and night in order to prevent buildings on the island from catching fire.—Reuter.

St. Peter's Arch-Priest Assumes Office

Rome, Mar. 26.

Cardinal Tedeschini, appointed by Pope Pius XII as Arch-Priest of St. Peter's, assumed his new office yesterday with a solemn ceremonial. At the steps of St. Peter's he was received with great pomp, then proceeding to the chapel of the all-holiest for prayer.

Afterwards, Cardinal Tedeschini was conducted to the sacristy of St. Peter's where seated on the throne he received the professions of obedience of the clergy of his basilica.

The new Arch-Priest held a speech in which he recalled with reverence Pope Pius XI and thanked Pope Pius XII for the favour of his appointment as Arch-Priest. After the ceremony, a solemn procession in St. Peter's was held, a halt being made at the sacred chapel of confession.—Trans-Ocean.

Pilgrims Witness Arab Justice

Public Executions Staged In Holy City as Warning To Wrong-Doers

Damascus, Mar. 25.

This year more than 100,000 Moslem pilgrims who crowded the Holy City of Mecca from all over the world have seen a vivid example of undiluted Koranic justice. For King Ibn Saud arranged that they should witness the decapitation of two murderers at the very gates of the ksaba, the most revered sanctuary of Islam.

A sight equally gruesome was next seen when two camel thieves each had his right hand cut off by the same executioner.

The puritan King of Arabia came down from Taif, his seat of government, to be present at the infliction of punishment, which he had postponed intentionally until the Haj (pilgrimage to Mecca). It was stated that these rigid sentences were the only punishment of this kind to have been carried out for some years past.

In the square before throngs of white-robed pilgrims, the executioner and his assistant performed their tasks in most expert manner. The first condemned criminal was conducted by soldiers and forced to kneel down facing the stand on which sat Ibn Saud and his entourage.

Executioner's Dance

The trembling bedouin was neither blindfolded nor bound, but watched the assistant executioner dance with a sword before him. The dance fascinated him and distracted his attention from the executioner who was standing behind.

Soon after the sword-play came the sword-work. The executioner pricked the condemned in the neck, which made him jerk his head forwards; whereupon quick as a flash, the sword fell and at a single blow the head rolled on the earth.

"Allah Akbar" (God is greatest) reverberated from the crowds. The second convict fared no better. He was a negro who had stabbed two men and a woman to death in a brawl over a colt.

Almost immediately after, the two camel thieves were dragged into the arena. Each was made to kneel and rest his hand on a log of wood about a foot high.

Check on Crime

There was no sword-play by the assistant executioner this time. Each hand was severed by a single stroke of the sword; and then the dismembered culprit was helped to one side where a physician administered first-aid.

"Alhamduliliah", (Thanks to Allah!) came the chorus of the crowd. The two hands were hung on the gates of the Kaaba for about three hours. A memorable event, which was to become the talk of caravans hundreds of miles away from Mecca.

By the sole punishment of decapitation and amputation, and the aim of unswerving justice, the Wahhabi King Ibn Saud has practically succeeded in checking murder and larceny throughout his desert realm of million square miles; though to be sure the ghazu (raids), the "national sport" of the nomad Arabs, are still extensively indulged in.—United Press.

Soviet Population

Moscow, Mar. 26.

Provisional results of the census taken throughout Soviet Russia on January 17, 1939, reveal that the total population of the country is now estimated at 170,426,000. Final results will be known only in April.—Havas.

$30,000,000 of Pictures At World's Fair

New York, Mar. 26.

Five hundred of the world's greatest paintings, moderately valued at $30,000,000, are to be housed together at the forthcoming New York World's Fair.

The most important exhibition of old masters ever brought together in the United States, it will be, it is claimed, the most complete and well-rounded "history" of the great epochs of European art, as expressed in the paintings of the leading artists of each age, ever presented under one roof. The pictures will be exhibited in a fire-proof building.—Reuter.

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SYNOPSIS OF 33rd ANNUAL STATEMENT, DECEMBER 31, 1938.

RESOURCES		LIABILITIES	
First Mortgage Loans on Real Estate	U.S.$ 5,191,519.10	Reserve on All Outstanding Policies	U.S.$22,982,425.77
First Mortgage Loans on Real Estate, Insured Under the U.S. National Housing Act (FHA)	5,533,835.15	Reserve for Policy Claims and Losses Incurred	271,365.38
Loans to Policyholders, Secured by Legal Reserves on Policies	5,367,017.57	Premiums and Interest Paid in Advance	304,309.57
Government, Public Utility and Other Bonds	3,140,109.21	Reserve for Taxes Payable in 1939	46,858.17
Stocks at Market Values	1,237,058.56	Reserve for Dividends to Policyholders	188,380.41
Real Estate Owned and Sold Under Contract	1,589,734.91	Other Liabilities	132,368.49
Home Office Building	774,709.67	Reserve for Contingencies in Real Estate $ 94,000.00	
Collateral Loans, Secured by First Mortgages and Real Estate	78,438.45	Reserve for Contingencies in Mortgage Loans 222,000.00	
Premiums Outstanding and Deferred, Secured by Legal Reserves	846,091.53	Reserve for General Contingencies 57,642.88	
Interest and Rents, Due and Accrued	203,345.23	Capital Stock 375,000.00	
Cash in Offices, in Banks and in Transit	766,516.15	Unassigned Surplus 225,000.00	
Other Resources	170,975.14	TOTAL SURPLUS RESOURCES	U.S.$ 973,642.88
TOTAL RESOURCES	U.S.$24,899,350.67	TOTAL LIABILITIES	U.S.$24,899,350.67

In 1938 there was an increase in insurance in force and in assets.

New Premiums amounted to U.S.$ 829,404.00 an increase over the previous year of 17.2%
Premiums received, new and renewal, total U.S.$4,431,450.00 „ „ „ „ „ „ „ 6.2%

Payments to policyholders for the year 1938 equalled U.S.$2,893,504.00
Payments to policyholders and beneficiaries since the organization of the Company total U.S.$43,113,665.64

WEST COAST LIFE SERVICE, IN ADDITION TO THE REGULAR BUSINESS, EMBRACES JUVENILE POLICIES, PENSION BONDS, RETIREMENT ANNUITIES, GROUP LIFE INSURANCE AND COMBINATION ACCIDENTAL DEATH AND DISMEMBERMENT INSURANCE.

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COMMERCE AND FINANCE

Money and Exchange

Saturday's Silver Wire

London, ready ..... 20d.
London, forward ..... 19 1/16d.

Foreign Money Rates

London: Mar. 25.

Fine Bank Bills,	3 months	0 3/8%
Bank Bills,	6 months	1 1/8%
Fine Trade Bills,	3 months	2 1/4%
" " "	6 months	3 1/4%
Call Money		0 1/2%

New York: closed.—Reuter.

Foreign Exchanges

Bombay Rupee T. T. on: Mar. 25.

Japan	78 3/8	London	1/5 1/16
New York	285 7/8	2 mths	
Shanghai	48 1/4	" (sellers)	1/5 3/16
Hongkong	85 3/4	" (Buyers)	1/5 1/16

London £ Sterling T. T. on:

New York	468.18	Berne	20.82 7/8
Paris	176.81	Shanghai	8 3/16d N
Berlin	11.66 1/2	Bombay	1/5 13/16
Amsterdam	8.82 1/8	Hongkong	1/2 1/16
Brussels	27.83 1/2	Singapore	2/3 1/16
Madrid	100.00	Yokohama	1/2
Milan	89.02	" (Buying)	Unq.

New York U.S.$ T. T. on:

Berlin	40.13	Brazil	5.90
Spain	Unq.	Japan	27.32
Holland	53.06	Shanghai	16.25
Paris	2.64 3/8	Hungary	19.80
Brussels	16.82 1/2	Rumania	0.72 1/2
Italy	5.26 1/4	Yugo Slavia	2.30
S'zerland	22.49	Greece	0.86
Sweden	24.14	Bulgaria	1.20
Norway	23.54	Finland	2.07
Denmark	20.91	Poland	18.87 1/2
Montreal	99.460		

London	4.68 1/4
" Demand	4.68 5/8
" Bankers' 60 days bills	4.67 3/4
" Commercial 60 days bills	4673/4
Buenos Aires, Paper	29.05
" " Market Rate	23.05
Montreal on London	4.70 7/8

—Reuter.

Doughton Urges Business Appeasement

Washington, Mar. 26.

Mr. Robert M. Doughton, Democratic Representative of North Carolina and chairman of the Joint Committee on Internal Revenue Taxation, announced yesterday that he would confer with President Roosevelt within a few days regarding the Administration's proposal to ease social security assessments.

Mr. Doughton indicated the Government wishes to act quickly on this phase of business appeasement whereby the social security tax rate would not be increased before 1943.

He said the Treasury must make the next move. "We have to spend less or raise more revenues or do both one of these days," he said. "Probably we will have to do both." —United Press.

Huge Bullion Shipments To America

Southampton, Mar. 26.

Approximately $26,000,000 worth of European gold and silver will be en route to the United States tonight because of the threat of war in Europe.

The Aquitania sailed from here for New York last night with $5,000,000 in bar gold and the Ascania sailed a few hours later with $2,000,000 worth of silver. The Holland-American Veendam sails tonight with an additional $3,000,000 in bullion and the Normandie will pick up an additional $4,000,000 at Plymouth today.

The ss. Manhattan already is en route to New York with bullion valued at $12,000,000.—United Press.

U.S. Commodities

Saturday's Closing Quotations

New York, Mar. 25.

The cotton market, after opening firm on higher Liverpool cables and Wall Street buying, turned irregular in quiet trading under liquidation due largely to the weekend uncertainty and the continued confusion regarding the legislative position, prices finishing unchanged to 2 points higher as compared with yesterday's final quotations.

Raw rubber futures registered net losses of 9 to 13 points on the day as the market followed the decline in London coupled with a lack of support. Only 24 contracts changed hands in the two hour session.

Wheat futures in Chicago steadied on mill buying and some covering by shorts, closing 1/4 to 3/8 cent per bushel above yesterday's close.

New York Cotton		New York Rubber	
May	8.17-18 +02	May	16.01-03 —13
July	7.93-93 unc.	July	16.04-05 —11
Oct.	7.56-56 +02	Sept.	16.05-06 —09
Dec.	7.52-52 +01	Dec.	16.05-06 —10
Jan.	7.52 N +02		
Mar.	7.55 N +02		

New York Sugar No. 4

May	1.17 1/2B-18A	+1/2
July	1.17 1/2B-18A	unc.

Chicago Wheat		Chicago Corn	
May	68-67 7/8 +3/4	May	47 5/8-47 3/8 +1/8
July	68-67 1/8 +1/4	July	49 3/8-49 3/8 +1/8
Sept.	68 1/8-68 3/4 +1/4	Sept.	50 1/4-50 3/8+1/8

Winnipeg Wheat

May	60 5/8-60 3/4	+1/2
July	61 1/4-61 3/8	+1/2
Oct.	62 1/8-62 1/4	+3/8

A—Asked B—Bid.—Reuter.

British Commodities

Saturday's Closing Quotations

London, Mar. 25.

Generally quiet and featureless conditions prevailed among British commodity markets today.

London Rubber: Spot buyers 8—1/16, sellers 8 1/16 —1/16; Apl/June del. buyers 8 —1/16; sellers 8 1/16 —1/16.

London Sugar (Buyers) May 6/4 1/2 —1/4; Aug. 6/4 1/4 —1/4; Dec. 6/1 3/4 —1/4.

Liverpool Wheat: Mar. 4/3 1/8 unc. May 4/4 1/4 unc. July (New Contract) 4/4 1/4 unc.

Liverpool Cotton: American Futures: Mar. 4.82 +4; May 4.77 +3; July 4.62 +3; Oct. 4.50 +3. Egyptian Futures (Giza, F.G.F. No. 7 No. 2 Contract. Mar. 6.72 +2; May 6.76 +2; July 6.81 +2; Sept. 6.81 +2.

London Metals Closed.—Reuter.

Bombay Cotton Market

Bombay, Mar. 25.

When April/May Broach touched 150 on March 18, option operators in the Bombay cotton market during the past week bought heavily and there was heavy transferring of Broach April/May sales to July/August by speculative and Indian shippers. This was the week's feature and was responsible for the sharp narrowing of the difference between the two Broach contracts.

Business in "spot" was less encouraging and export demand eased under the influence of the political situation. Nevertheless, some new business with Shanghai and Japan was reported.

There was some curtailment of buying by Indian mills, who were perturbed over the preference in favour of Lancashire accorded by the new trade agreement.—Reuter.

Bombay Silver Stocks

Bombay, Mar. 25.

Stocks of Silver in Bombay on March 25, compared with the two previous weeks:—Mar. 11. 1,000 Mar. 18. 1,000 Mar. 25. 1,000 Bars.

N. B. The above figures include both English Bar and Indian Mint Silver.—Reuter.

NEW YORK STOCK EXCHANGE
Statistical Data Concerning Leading Stocks

By courtesy of Swan, Culbertson & Fritz

Name of Stock	Dividends: Annual rate	Dividends: Date of 1st quarterly payment	Book value	Earnings or Deficits: 5 yr Average 1934-38	1936	1937	1938	Yield on basis of price in %
No par value except where indicated								
Adams Express	0.20†	Irregular	13	—	0.50	0.62	—	2
Alleghany Ludlum Steel ..	—	—	21	—	2.13	2.10	—	nil
Allis Chalmers	1.50†	Irregular	32	—	2.27	4.42	—	4
American can .. 25	4	Feb. 15	61	6.29	5.80	6.08	—	4
Am. and Foreign Power ..	—	—		1.43	D 9.45	D 8.77	—	nil
Am. and For.P. $7 cum .Pref.	—	—	110	23.49	5.84	7.11	—	nil
Am. Locomotive	—	—	12	4.20	D 1.71	4.75	—	nil
Am. Radiator	—	—	12	1.84	0.70	0.68	—	nil
Am. Rolling Mill	—	—	33	2.46	2.25	2.55	—	nil
American Smelting ..	2†	Feb. 28	52	7.27	6.85	6.54	3.24	5
Am. Tel. and Tel. .. 100	9	Jan. 15	128	1.30	9.89	9.76	8.16	6
Am. Tob. "B" .. 25	5	Mar. 1	27	6.00	3.71	5.94	—	6
Am. Waterworks	—	—	35	2.80	1.52	1.14	—	nil
Anaconda Copper .. 50	0.50†	Irregular	55	4.97	1.83	3.62	—	2
Atch., Top. & S. Fe 100	—	—	260	19.16	1.56	0.60	—	—
Auburn Automobiles ..	—	—	28	9.72	D 6.67	D20.07	—	nil
Baltimore and Ohio 100	—	—	126	11.36	0.85	D 1.20	—	nil
Barber Asphalt .. (10)	—	—	32	—	1.14	1.91	—	—
Barnsdall Oil .. 5	1	Feb. 1	8	—	1.01	9.85	—	6
Bethlehem Steel	—	—	119	7 06	2.09	7.63	—	—
Boeing Airplane .. 5	—	—	6	—	032	0.45	—	1
Borg-Warner .. 5	0.25	Irregular	16	—	3.57	3.63	—	1
Bklyn. Manh. Tran. ..	—	—	79	6.78	0.30	4.09	—	nil
Canadian Pacific Rly. 25	—	—	40	3.11	0.04	0.30	—	nil
Case, J. I. 100	5†	Irregular	134	14.53	12.36	13.98	—	6
Chase Nat. Bank .. 13.55	1.40	F.A. 1	31	4.04	2.24	2.03	—	4
Chesapeake & Ohio. 25	1.75	Jan. 1	51	5.67	5.72	4.43	2.56	5
Chrysler 5	2†	Irregular	28	4.69	14.25	11.66	4.32	3
Columbia Gas and Electric.	—	—	16	2.08	0.53	0.57	—	—
Commercial Credit 10	4.00	Mar. 31	29	—	6.08	7.10	4.60	8
Commonwealth & Southern	—	—	5	0.67	0.13	0.18	—	nil
Consolidated Edison ..	2	Mar. 15	52	4.50	2.33	2.17	—	6
Consolidated Oil	0.80	Feb. 15	18	—	1.18	1.48	—	10
Continental Oil	1	Jan. 30	17	0.64	1.78	2.97	—	4
Corn Products .. 25	3	Jan. 20	34	4.41	3.86	2.52	3.17	5
Distillers Corp. Seagrams..	2	Mar. 15	13	nil	2.42	3.49	3.75	11
Douglas Aircraft	3	Irregular	12	1.50	1.74	1.90	3.76	4
Dupont de Nemours 10	3.25†	Mar. 15	36	5.17	7.54	7.27	—	2
Eagle Picher Lead 10	0.10†	Irregular	13	—	0.74	0.40	—	1
Electric Bond & Share 5	—	—	27	2.15	0.17	0.42	—	nil
Elec. Bond & Share $6 Pref	6	Feb. 1	110	—	6.42	7.31	—	9
Flintkote	0.60	—	13	—	1.75	1.50	1.21	2
General Electric	0.90†	Jan. 25	11	1.81	1.52	2.21	0.96	2
General Motors .. 10	2†	Mar. 12	16	4.83	5.36	4.38	2.17	4
General Railway Signal ..	—	—	14	7.99	0.17	1.58	—	nil
Glidden	—	—	22	—	3.29	2.62	D 0.29	nil
Goodrich Rubber	—	—	23	2.09	4.03	D 2.25	0.14	nil
Goodyear Tire and Rubber	0.25	Irregular	21	5.12	3.90	1.95	1.34	1
Great Northern Ry. Pfd.	—	—	157	9.47	3.99	4.04	—	nil
Greyhound	1.10†	Jan. 1	7	D0.16	1.60	1.59	2.05	5
Hecker Products	0.60	Feb. 1	13	3.58	0.71	0.89	0.53	5
Int. Nickel	2*	Mar. 30	12	0.85	2.40	3.31	—	4
Int. Tel. and Tel	—	—	38	3.45	0.63	1.60	—	nil
Kennecott	1.75*	Mar. 30	39	3.67	2.36	4.60	—	5
Loew's Inc.	3.00	Mar. 30	51	6.71	6.73	8.47	5.65	7
Montgomery Ward ..	1.25†	Apr. 15	28	2.51	3.63	3.41	3.50	2
Nat. City Bank N.Y. 12½	1	F. A. 1	25	4.12	2.10	2.00	—	4
Nat. Dairy Products ..	1	Jan. 2	12	3.58	2.01	1.53	1.69	7
National Distillers ..	2	Feb. 1	13	—	3.81	3.86	—	7
Nat. Power and Ligh ..	0.60	Mar. 1	21	1.74	0.99	1.36	—	7
New York Central ..	—	—	142	15.63	1.79	0.99	—	nil
North American Co. 10	1.30	Jan. 2	22	4.47	1.74	1.95	1.55	5
Pacific Gas and Electric 25	2	Jan. 15	28	2.83	2.55	2.71	—	6
Pacific Lighting	3*	Feb. 15	9	2.70	3.88	4.10	—	6
Packard Motors	—	—	3	1.11	0.47	0.20	D 0.12	nil
Paramount Pictures ..	—	—	15	—	1.18	1.96	—	nil
Pennsylvania Railroad 50	0.50	—	89	7.01	2.94	2.07	0.84	2
Phillips Petroleum	2	Mar. 1	34	3.89	4.02	5.42	2.03	5
Public Service of N.J. ..	2.15†	Mar. 30	31	3.15	2.80	2.61	2.34	7
Pure Oil	—	—	21	1.77	1.63	2.15	0.38	nil
Radio Corp.	0.20	Irregular	nil	1.32	0.21	0.41	0.30	3
Reynolds Tobacco "B" ..	2.90	Jan. 1	14	3.04	2.93	2.82	2.37	7
Schenley	—	—	26	—	7.05	5.04	—	nil
Sears Roebuck	3	Mar. 16	40	5.03	5.60	5.58	4.17	4
Socony Vacuum Corp. 15	0.50†	M. S 15	20	—	1.38	1.82	—	4
Southern Pacific .. 100	—	—	196	10.19	3.84	0.20	—	nil
Standard Brands	0.525	Jan. 2	4	1.53	1.11	0.71	—	8
Standard Gas & Electric ..	—	—	50	6.59	D 0.99	D 1.33	—	nil
Standard Oil of N.J. .. 25	1.50*	J. D. 15	44	3.47	3.73	5.64	1.81	3
Texas Gulf Sulphur	2	Mar. 15	16	5.21	2.56	3.02	—	7
Union Carbide & Carbon ..	2.40†	Jan. 2	26	3.40	4.14	4.81	6.62	3
Union Pacific Railway 100	6	Jan. 2	198	17.53	8.20	6.15	2.12	6
United Aircraft .. 5	1.25†	Irregular	7	—	0.76	1.52	—	3
United Airlines 5	—	—	8	—	0.26	D 0.52	—	nil
United Corp.	—	—	7	0.55	0.19	0.22	—	nil
United Gas Improvement ..	1	Mar. 23	11	1.29	1.09	1.09	—	8
U.S. Rubber. .. 10	—	—	13	nil	3.31	2.21	—	nil
U.S. Steel	—	—	140	12.90	2.81	8.01	—	nil
Vanadium	—	—	26	4.59	0.40	2.22	—	nil
Warner Bros. Pictures 5	—	—	15	1.84	0.75	1.48	0.41	nil
Westinghouse Elec.. .50	2	Feb. 28	67	7.22	5.67	7.53	—	2

*Plus extras D Deficit E Est. †Dividends are for the latest four quarters

New York Stocks

Saturday's Closing Quotations

New York, Mar. 25.

With the situation in Europe still casting a shadow of uncertainty over Wall Street, prices today drooped in dull trading as operators held aloof pending developments. Scant attention was paid to domestic business pointers and little significance was attached to the action of the market. The turnover totalled 440,000 shares. —Reuter.

Dow-Jones Averages

	High	Low	Close	Changes
30 Indust.	142.53	140 97	141.55	—0.27
20 Rails	30.05	29.61	29.73	—0.14
15 Utilit.	24.26	23.87	24.05	—0.09
40 Bonds	—	—	90.36	—0.07
11 Commod.	—	—	47.85	+0.07

	Mar. 24	25
Adams Express	8 3/4	8 3/4
Alleghany Ludlum Steel	21	21
Allied Stores	9 1/4	9 1/8
Allis Chalmers	40 3/4	39
Amerada Corp.	60 3/8	60 1/4
Amer. Can	89 1/4	89 1/2
Amer. & For. Power	2 7/8	2 7/8
" " $7 pfd.	18	17 5/8
Amer. Gas & Electric	36 1/2	35 5/8
Amer. Locomotive	22 3/4	22 3/8
Amer. Metal	32 3/8	32 3/4
Amer. Radiator	13 3/4	14
Amer. Rolling Mill	17	16 3/4
Amer. Smelting	43 3/4	43 1/4
Amer. Sugar Refining	20 1/8	20 1/2
Amer. Tel. & Tel.	158 1/8	158 1/4
Amer. Tobacco "B"	83 1/2	84 3/4
Amer. Waterworks	11 5/8	11 3/8
Anaconda Copper	27 3/4	27 3/8
Atchison, T. & S. Fe	33 3/8	33 1/2
Auburn	6	6 1/8
Baltimore & Ohio	6	6 1/8
Barber Asphalt Corp.	16 1/2	16 3/4
Barnsdall Oil Co.	15 1/8	15 3/4
Bendix Aviation	23 5/8	23 3/4
Bethlehem Steel	67 3/4	67 3/4
Boeing Airplane Co.	26 1/4	26 1/8
Borg Warner	27 1/2	27 5/8
Briggs Mfg. Co.	24 3/4	24 3/4
Bklyn-Manhattan Trans.	10	10
" " $6 cum. pfd.	36 1/2	36
Can. Pacific Rly.	4 1/2	4 3/8
Case, J.I.	83	—
Chase Nat. Bank	B 32	B 32 1/2
Celanese Corp.	20 3/8	19 3/4
Chesapeake & Ohio	35 7/8	35 3/4
Chrysler	75 7/8	76
Columbia Gas & Elec.	7 1/8	7
" " 6% "A" pfd.	B 87 1/2	89 3/8
Comi. Credit	52	51 1/2
Comm. & Southern	1 1/2	1 3/8
" " $6 cum. pfd.	56 3/8	57 1/8
Consolid. Edison	32	31 7/8
Consolid. Oil	8 1/4	8 1/4
Continental Can	39 3/4	39 3/4
Continental Oil	27	27
Corn Products	65	65 1/2
Curtiss Wright (com.)	5 7/8	6
" "A"	24 3/8	24 1/4
Deere & Co.	21 3/8	20 7/8
Distillers Corp. Seagrams	18 1/2	18 1/4
Douglas Aircraft	68	67
Du Pont de Nemours	149	150
Eagle Picher Lead	10 1/4	B 10
Eaton Manufacturing Co.	23 3/4	23 1/2
Elec. Auto Lite	33 5/8	33 1/4
Elec. Bond & Share	10	9 7/8
" " $5 pfd.	60	—
" " $6 pfd.	70 1/4	70 1/4
Engineers Public Serv.	10 3/8	10 1/8
Elec. Pwr. & Lt. 7% pfd.	34 1/8	32 3/4
Flinktkote	25 1/4	25
Food Machinery Corp.	B 26 1/2	B 26
Gen. Amer. Trans. Corp.	52 1/4	52 1/2
Gen. Electric	38 5/8	38 1/2
Gen. Motors	46 7/8	46 3/4
Gen. Rly. Signal	20 3/8	B 19 1/8
Glidden Co.	19 1/4	20
Goodrich (B.F.)	20 5/8	20 1/8
" $5 pfd.	—	67
Goodyear Tire & Rubber	31 7/8	31 1/2
Great Nthrn. Iron Ore	14 5/8	B14 1/2
Great Nthrn. Rly., pfd.	25 1/2	25 1/2
Great Western Sugar	27	—
Greyhound Corp.	19 1/4	19
Hecker Products	10 3/8	—
Homestake Min.	64 1/2	63 1/2
Indus. Rayon	25 1/4	24
Int. Harvester	58 1/8	57 7/8
Int. Nickel	49 3/4	49 3/8
Int. Tel. & Tel.	8 1/4	8
Johns Manville	83 5/8	83
Jones & Laughlin 7%	B 47	B 47
Kennecott	36 5/8	35 3/4
Libby-Owens-Ford Glass	49 3/4	50
Lockheed Aircraft	29 3/4	29 1/2
Loew's Inc.	45 1/2	44 3/4
Manhattan Shirt Co.	12	11 3/4
Martin, Glenn L. Co.	35	35 1/8
Monsanto Chemical	99	99
Montgomery Ward	48 3/4	48 1/8
Nat. City Bank	B 25 1/4	B 24 1/2
Nat. Dairy Products	15 1/8	14 7/8
Nat. Distillers	27 3/4	27 1/2
Nat. Gypsum	14 1/8	14
Nat. Lead	22 5/8	22 1/2
Nat. Power & Lt.	8 1/4	8 1/8
Nat. Steel Corp.	71 3/4	72 1/4
Nat. Supply Co. of Penn.	10 7/8	10 5/8
New York Central	17 1/2	17 3/8
Niagara Hudson Power	8 1/4	8 1/4
North Amer. Aviation	16 3/4	16 5/8
North Amer. Co.	22 3/4	22 1/2
Northern Pacific	11	10 7/8
Pacific Gas & Elec.	32	33
Pacific Lighting	46 3/4	46 3/4
Packard Motors	3 7/8	3 7/8
Paramount Pictures Inc.	9 5/8	9 1/2
Pennsylvania R.R.	20 5/8	20 1/2
Phelps Dodge	37 3/4	37 1/8
Phillips Petroleum	37 3/4	37 5/8
Public Serv. of N.J.	35 3/4	35
Pullman, Inc.	30 3/4	30 5/8
Pure Oil	9 1/8	9
Radio Corp. of Amer.	7 7/8	8
Republic Steel Co.	18 7/8	18 3/4
Reynolds Tobacco "B"	38 3/4	38 1/2
Richfield Oil Corp.	8 3/4	8 3/4
Safeway Stores	34	33 3/4
Schenley	15 1/2	15 1/2
" 5 1/2% pfd.	—	—
Sears Roebuck	71 1/2	71
Shell Union Oil	12 1/2	12 1/8
Socony-Vacuum	12 1/2	12 1/8
Sthrn. Pacific	16 1/8	15 7/8
Sthrn. Rly. 5% pfd.	26 1/4	25 5/8
Sperry Corp.	42 1/4	42 1/4
Stand. Brands	6 3/4	6 3/4
Stand. Gas & Elec.	3 3/8	3 1/2
Stand. Oil of Calif.	28 3/8	28 1/2
Stand. Oil of N.J.	47 5/8	48
Stone & Webster	13 1/4	13
Swift International	27 1/4	27 3/4
Technicolor	17 1/8	16 1/4
Texas Corp.	42 1/4	42 3/8
Texas Gulf Sulphur	30	30
Transamerica	6 1/4	6 1/2
Tw. Century Fox Film, pfd.	21 1/4	21 3/8
" " $ pfd.	30 3/4	30 3/8
Un. Carbide & Carbon	80 1/4	79 7/8
Un. Pacific	98	98
Un. Aircraft	38 1/2	38
Un. Air Lines Trans.	10 7/8	11 3/4
Un. Corp.	3	2 7/8
" " $3 cum. pfd.	35 3/4	35
Un. Gas Corp.	2 5/8	2 1/2
Un. Gas Improvement	12 1/4	12 1/4
U. S. Rubber	43 7/8	44 1/4
" " 8% pfd.	101 1/2	100 1/2
U. S. Steel	57 1/8	56 3/8
Vanadium	24 3/4	24 3/8
Warner Bros. Picts.	5 7/8	5 3/8
Westinghouse Elec.	105	103
Woodward Iron	B 21	21
BONDS		
Amer. & For. Power 5s	57 1/4	57 3/8
Brazil	19	19 1/2
Baltimore & Ohio R.R.	20 5/8	—
Cities Serv. Pwr. & Lt.	82 1/4	82 1/4
Erie R.R. 5s 1967	11	11
Int. Tel. & Tel. 5s 1955	69	63 1/2
Minas Geraes	B 11 1/2	B 11 1/2
New England Gas & Elec.	68	68
Peru 6s 1961	10 7/8	10 1/2
Rio Grande do Sul	B 10 5/8	B 10 1/2
Sao Paulo	B 10 1/2	B10
Sthrn. Pacific R.R.	51 3/4	—
Stand. Gas & Elec. 6s 1951	63	63 3/8

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Dow-Jones Summary

Courtesy of Swan, Culbertson & Fritz

Stock prices drifted lower today in a session of dull trading, with traders in Wall Street adjusting their positions preparatory to Signor Mussolini's speech tomorrow. No pressure existed in any direction, and experts considered the recession resulted a lack of demand. No important news arrived with the exception of portions of the weekend business news which indicated that business is running slightly behind.

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Manufacturers Life Insurance Company

1938 Report Shows Continued Expansion

The 52nd Annual Report of the Manufacturers Life Insurance Company for the year ending December 31st, 1938 indicates increase of Assets and Business in Force. The Company is now operating in thirty-four different countries and has earned a reputation for world-wide service to Policyholders.

New Business and Business in Force

The New Business for the year was £11,837,823. The Business in Force increased by £3,365,173 and now amounts to £117,721,733.

Income

Premium Income amounted to £4,999,173, Interest and Dividends to £1,422,461 and all other receipts to £710,504, making Total Receipts of £7,132,138, an increase of £524,853 over that of the previous year.

Payments to Policyholders

Death Claim payments were £931,132, and payments on matured, surrendered and existing policies amounted to £2,142,491 including £415,535 in policy dividends, making total disbursements to policyholders of £3,073,623. The Mortality Rate, although slightly higher than the previous year, continued to be quite favourable, being 66% of that expected according to tables currently in use by the Company, the average rate experienced over the past five years being 67%.

Assets

The Assets of the Company increased during the year by £2,554,616 and now amount to £34,391,383. The gross rate of interest earned during the year was 4.58%. The distribution of the assets in various categories shows that 65% of total assets are comprised of securities. The remaining 35% of assets are composed of mortgages, policy loans, real estate, etc., as follows:—

		per cent. of Total
Bonds	£20,424,955. 6. 3	59.38
Stocks	1,831,319.15.10	5.32
First Mortgages on Real Estate	5,298,695.18. 0	15.41
Policy Loans	3,936,402. 2. 2	11.45
Real Estate	1,381,481.11.10	4.02
Cash	378,779. 3. 3	1.10
Interest Due and Outstanding	22.421. 2. 2	.07
Interest Accrued but not Due	433,474. 3. 6	1.26
Deferred and Outstanding Premiums	680,797.17.10	1.93
Sundry Assets	3,055.15. 3	.01
	£34,391,382.16. 1	100.00

Liabilities to Policyholders

The Policy and Annuity Reserves constitute the chief item among the Company's liabilities and amount to £29,019,043. These reserves are, in the aggregate, the sum necessary, along with future premiums and interest, to provide for payment of future claims or other benefits guaranteed under the Company's contracts. In connection with the Policy Reserves, i.e. that portion of the reserves which is applicable to Life Insurance Contracts, 70% is calculated on the basis of 3% interest and 50% at 3 1/2% interest. These reserves have been calculated on the full net level premium basis and are, therefore, considerably in excess of the minimum reserve requirements of the Dominion Insurance Act. Some £2,000,000 is in respect to Annuities and the interest rate basis used is 3 1/2%. The balance of this item is composed of miscellaneous reserves in respect to Disability and Double Indemnity Benefits, Supplementary Contracts, etc.

Dividends to Policyholders Increased

Although interest earnings have fallen during the past few years, the Company's total earnings have so far been well maintained due to a satisfactory mortality experience and some savings in expense. It has, therefore, again been possible to increase the dividend scale upon which dividend distributions to policyholders will be made in 1939 and, included in the reserve of £934,932, is a sum of £466,496 for distribution in the year which we have just entered.

Contingency Reserve and Surplus

Surplus accounts have increased by £172,374. Contingency Reserve now amounts to £493,151 and Surplus to £879,825, a result which can be considered as very satisfactory.

Well Represented in the Orient

The Company is well and favourably known throughout the Orient, where it has been operating for the last forty years. The Chief Office for North China is situated at Hamilton House, 170 Kiangse Road, Shanghai and District Offices and Agencies are maintained in Peiping, Tientsin, Chefoo, Tsingtao and Hankow.

New York Market Drifts Lower

New York, Mar. 25.

Prices on the New York Stock Exchange drifted lower during a dull session today as Wall Street adjusted its positions in advance of Premier Benito Mussolini's speech.

No particular pressure was noted anywhere. Lack of demand mainly induced the recession. There was nothing in the news to offset caution regarding possible events over the weekend.

Bonds closed irregular and copper losses ranged up to more than a point. Steels opened irregular and later declined. Chrysler was down fractions of a point. Aviations opened firm but declined later. Amusements, mercantiles, rubbers and buildings were lower. The exceptions were some preferred stocks which firmed. DuPont was strong and others showed minor advances.

Wall Street hears that R. H. Macy earnings for 1938 were about $1.50 per share. The two World's Fairs are expected to aid Woolworth sales. Wall Street now believes the proposed Chilean copper profits tax would be considerably less harmful than an export tax on copper. Phelps Dodge 1938 earnings may be between $1.25-1.50 per share.

Favourable market factors today included:

1. The proposal for scaling social security taxes.
2. Improved department store sales.
3. Indications that steel operations may rise.

Among the unfavourable factors were these:

1. The general international situation.
2. Some business are behind expectations for this year.
3. The lifting of Saturday shutdowns in Texas confuses the petroleum situation.—United Press.

Kill Kidney Trouble Quick

Thousands of sufferers from Kidney trouble and Bladder weakness have stopped Getting Up Nights, Leg Pains, Circles Under Eyes, Swollen Ankles, Nervousness, Stiffness, Rheumatism, Dizziness, Lumbago, Burning, Itching, Smarting, Acidity and Loss of Vigour by a Doctor's new discovery called Cystex (Sistex). Gently soothes, tones, cleans, and heals raw, sore kidneys. In 15 minutes Cystex starts purifying your blood. Brings new health, youth and vitality in 48 hours. Guaranteed to end your troubles in 8 days or money back. Get Cystex at all chemists. No. 3

52nd ANNUAL REPORT

Summary

	1937	1938
NEW INSURANCE (Including Deferred Annuities)	£ 12,361,614	£ 11,837,823
INSURANCE IN FORCE (Including Deferred Annuities)	114,356,560	117,721,733
ASSETS	31,836,767	34,391,383
INCOME	6,607,286	7,132,138
POLICY AND ANNUITY RESERVES	26,994,164	29,019,043
CONTINGENCY RESERVE AND SURPLU

Latest British Air Force Developments

New Plane For Navy has 500 M.P.H. Diving Speed: New Anti-Aircraft Gun Demonstrated

FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT

London, Mar. 1.

Under the Navy Estimates for 1939 published yesterday it is interesting to see an item of £6,750,000 for airframes and engines, which is nearly a million more than the vote five years ago for the entire supply of aircraft for the Royal Air Force, including the Fleet Air Arm. There is a further sum this year of £1,676,000 for expenditure on aircraft stores and spares and ground equipment.

A note by the First Lord says that good progress is being made with the transfer to the Admiralty of full control over the Fleet Air Arm, a business much complicated of course, by the huge expansion of the whole Air Force. Even though the Air Ministry will remain responsible for the supply of aircraft to the Fleet. This is the simplest plan and will avoid any bidding against each for equipment by the Navy and the R.A.F.

Among the interesting new types now being supplied to the Navy, far better than anything it had before, the Blackburn Skua dive-bomber-fighter monoplane, low-wing and very sturdily built to stand the terrific strain of pulling out of a dive, is particularly noticeable. Experiments on the aircraft carrier Courageous have already shown how easily it takes off and lands on a deck.

The Skua, so named after the seabird which is said to be "swift of flight and swift to dive against any invader of its haunts," is provided with cleverly designed wing-flaps which steady the aeroplane when diving so as to ensure accuracy in releasing the bomb. If it lands on the sea its watertight wing compartments and metal monocoque fuselage make it perfectly buoyant. Its wings fold into a very small pace for convenience in storing on board ship, and though its exact armament is not disclosed it is equally formidable in bombing fighting or when pursued.

It is probably well known that diving speeds of over 500 miles an hour are now part of the normal test routine of standard British fighter aircraft before going into the R.A.F.

Speed of 504 M.P.H.

But evidence of similar speeds in direct flight now attained by our new military aeroplanes was given a few days go by the Miles Master I, a new trainer fitted with Rolls-Royce Kestrel engine. It flew from Oxford to Farnborough, 42 miles, in five minutes, averaging 504 m.p.h. The Miles Master I is claimed to be the fastest trainer in the world, one would certainly imagine truly.

A demonstration was given this week "somewhere in Kent" of the first four of the 4.5 anti-aircraft guns, of which 500 are being produced. They are, of course, on fixed mountings, standing about 20 yards apart. They fire a 55 lb. shell to a height of 36,000 ft, which in conjunction with the explosive range of the shell would make them a deadly obstacle to any invader. Conspicuous in the group is the height finder, with which all the guns are connected, the chief feature of which is its 18 ft. tube. It is said to be extremely accurate.

It is understood that when the 500 guns of this type are delivered no more will be made, but the 3.7 will become the standard gun. This has the same ceiling as the 4.5 and although it only fires a 37 lb. shell, it fires more quickly than the 4.5. Since the September crisis with its deplorable revelations, the general anti-aircraft position has greatly improved and London itself has practically reached the density of guns at present contemplated. That is not to say, however, that their number will not be increased.

Congested Air Ports

Much work is being done to relieve the congestion in London's airports. Heston comes first, but three other plans are in hand and should be completed by 1942, thus giving London four up-to-date main termini. At Heston all the latest ideas are being applied. For foggy weather a white track has been laid down, along it being a line of lights flush with the ground and protected by glass thick enough to stand a direct blow of 20,000 lb. from aircraft landing gear. A "ZZ" radio system enables the pilot to approach the aerodrome in fog or cloud by means of his instruments and an audible radio signal. All tall trees round the aerodrome have been felled, and the ground elaborately drained so that the heaviest liners may land in the wettest weather.

Work is also going on, though it is not so far advanced, at Fairlop in Essex. When these two aerodromes are completed and improvements which cannot be undertaken while the demand on it is so heavy.

In addition to these three aerodromes the Air Ministry are negotiating for a site at Lullingstone, near Dartford, in Kent, at present a peaceful farmland panorama. One may well feel a pang at the thought of the countryside being thus sacrificed. But the demands of the age are inexorable. When these four aerodromes are completed London should be as well off in airports as any town in the world.

Monoplanes For Egypt

Twenty-three more British light training monoplanes, making 42 in all, have now been delivered to the Royal Egyptian Air Forces. These are the Miles Magister, built of wood, with two tandem seats. It can be flown solo or dual, the controls being all duplicated, and a hood can be dropped over the after cockpit in order to train the occupant in blind flying. The engine is a Gipsy Major 130 h.p. four cylinder, giving a top level speed of 145 m.p.h. and the range is 400 miles, which is quite adequate for cross-country flying training.

Ten of these machines have also been supplied to the Government of Eire. The underlying idea is that they have the same basic qualities as the fighters and bombers which pupils will have to fly when they join the squadrons, and it may fairly be claimed that no better training machines exist anywhere.

The Military Medal has just been awarded to Aircraftsman J.S.H. Coleby, an R.A.F. radio operator, for conspicuous bravery in action against rebel tribesmen near Nablus in Palestine.

Just before nightfall one day last December, Coleby was on duty in a motor lorry accompanying two trucks of infantrymen, when they were attacked with heavy rifle fire at close quarters. Although his lorry was struck several times and Coleby was wounded, he remained at his post, continually sending out reports on the course of the action which were of the greatest value in bringing up reinforcements and saving the party.

Air Speed Limits

Apropos of enormous air speed. Mr. H. E. Wimperis, formerly President of the Royal Aeronautical Society, has been lecturing on factors which limit speed through the air. These, put quite simply, are summed up in the ability of the air to get out of the way of an advancing aeroplane. We know what that is by the speed of sound which is 750 m.p.h. Nothing can make sound travel faster than that.

"What precisely happens" said Mr. Wimperis, "when the speed reaches this limit? When that happens the air cannot be 'warned' ahead of what is coming. This leads to as many shocks and collisions as if an unlighted motor-car tried to get through a crowd of deaf people on a dark night. When an aeroplane moves as fast as, or faster than, the velocity of sound, collisions with air particles are inevitable and there will be an enormous loss of energy through conversion into heat in the resulting shock waves."

So it would seem that the speed of an aeroplane must be limited to that of sound unless some epoch-making discovery in lessening head resistance is made, of which as yet there is no sign. But we still have to get our aeroplanes up to the sound speed.

British Babies to Have Gas Masks

Special Helmet Invented For Children Under Two Years of Age

Every child in Britain under the age of two is to be supplied by the Government with a gas-helmet. Sir John Anderson, A.R.P. chief, has reached this decision after months of research by Government experts, nurses, and women with experience of child psychology.

The gas-helmet, which is a new invention, is now being manufactured in different parts of the country. Delivery of more than 1,200,000 of them throughout Britain will begin next month. The helmet has been tried out on 300 babies and, in the words of a Government official, "has been found to be ideal in every way. It is easy to handle and there is no injury to the baby's health."

Many of the babies on whom the helmets were tried went to sleep in them.

The helmet is shaped like a diver's helmet. A mother can slip it over the child's head and shoulders and strap it firmly round his chest so that the head-piece is sealed off from the air.

In the front of the helmet is a window—of mica or similar substance—large enough for her to see her child's face clearly.

Bellows Attached

Fastened to the helmet is a small apparatus like a bellows. With very little effort the mother can work these bellows by hand and keep the child supplied with air.

The whole helmet is light enough for the child to be carried about in.

When the child is wearing the helmet he can walk easily. He can move his arms freely or he can rest them on a support.

The main purpose of the helmet is to give protection while a child is moved from home to the nearest air-raid shelter. It is not intended that babies should be kept in them for hours at a time.

At every home where helmets are distributed a specially trained health visitor will call and give instruction on the right technique of using them. The idea which A.R.P. officers want to instil is that the 1,200,000 gas helmets to be distributed are 1,200,000 toys.

Health visitors will urge mothers to play a game with the helmets. One suggestion is a game of "Peep-Bo" played with the mica window.

It is emphasized that they should not be hidden away as something horrifying to look at. "Get baby used to the helmet" is the Government advice.

To demonstrate the helmets clearly to the public and to prove that they are 100 per cent. reliable the Government is having a film made showing how to use them.

A woman who was present when the helmets were tried on 12 children from working-class families around London said: "One kiddie cried a bit about it. But it didn't really worry him. The rest were quite happy. The mothers were quite satisfied.

"The top piece seemed to be made of wicker-work material with a covering.

"No mother need be at all frightened about putting her child into one. Even a child that has only just been born would be quite safe in it."

The helmets, which are free, will reach families within a few weeks of the birth of a child. When the child is two the parents will surrender the helmet in exchange for a gas-mask.

An Old Painting Found In Artist's Home

Lain Dusty in Store-room Neglected for Years

A painting claimed to be a Tintoretto, worth thousands of pounds, has been discovered neglected in a store-room at the Compton, Surrey, home of Mary Seaton Watts, widow of G. F. Watts, R.A., the famous Victorian painter.

It had lain there for years, dusty, unnoticed, because "Mrs. Watts set little value on paintings which were not by her husband."

The Tintoretto is now in the hands of a West End firm of picture restorers, and is to be offered for purchase to the National Gallery. The present owner of the picture wishes to be anonymous.

Paintings by Tintoretto have been quoted in recent years at prices ranging from £4,000 to £14,000. This one is described as "a very fine example of Tintoretto's later work."

Mary Seaton Watts died at Compton last September aged eighty-eight. She left £56,907. Her marriage to G. F. Watts when he was sixty-nine was one of the great love stories of Victorian times. An artist herself, she abandoned her painting to devote herself to her husband, sustained him in his failing health, and encouraged him with his life's work.

Husband's Paintings

Mr. Hans A. Schubart, the art dealer who now has the Tintoretto in his vaults, said to a reporter of the "Daily Express."—Mrs. Watts, had a fine collection of pictures when her husband died. She was tremendously attached to him and his work, and put little value on pictures which were not by him.

His paintings were put all round the walls, but the Tintoretto was never hung. If it had, it would have been detected. It went into the store-room with other pictures of quite good value.

When the painting was found, it was dirty and covered with a yellow varnish.

G. F. Watts died in 1904, aged eighty-seven. He had been married before—to Ellen Terry, the actress, when she was sixteen years old. The marriage lasted a year, and was then annulled.

Among the most famous of his pictures are "Hope," "Love and Life," and "Love Triumphant."

"Deficiency of information in Japanese English-language newspapers is completed very successfully by an English newspaper in Kobe **The Japan Chronicle** . . on its pages can often be found criticisms of the political and economic actions of the Japanese Government and various other information which gives the opportunity to observe and to analyse the Japanese economic situation. In addition to the usual material obtainable from all the Japanese English-language newspapers. The **Japan Chronicle** gives a very detailed and comprehensive review of the foreign trade of Japan. It regularly prints statistics pertaining to Japanese exports and the state of the home market." — *Extracts from U.S.S.R. Chamber of Commerce Journal.*

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Date and Destination	Per		Reg.	Ord.
MONDAY, March 27.				
Japan Korea via Nagasaki	Shanghai M.		*19.00	7.15
Formosa via Keelung	Hukuken M.		*19.00	7.30
Ningpo	Tembien		13.30	14.00
Kiangpei Offices east of Jukao	Tejo		16.30	17.00
Foochow	Shinkuang	X	16.30	17.00
Wenchow	M. Margarida		17.30	18.00
Wenchow	Don Pedro		18.30	19.00
Wenchow	Produce	X	19.30	20.00
Swatow and Hongkong ..	Szechuen		19.30	20.00
Kwangtung	Szechuen		19.30	20.00
TUESDAY, March 28.				
Aust. N.Z. S.S. India (Y) Suez (Y) Europe (Y) ..	Canton	A	7.30	9.00
Hongkong and Canton ...	Canton		8.30	9.00
Tsingtao Chefoo Tientsin	Dahpu		12.00	12.30
U.S.S.R. Europe via Siberia	Fausang		11.30	13.00
Chefoo and Tientsin	Fausang		12.30	13.00
Ningpo	Hsin Peking		13.30	14.00
Tsingtao	Tainan M.	X	13.30	14.00
Amoy	Echizan M.	X	13.30	14.00
Amoy H'kong Java Ports	Tjisalak	BX	16.00	16.30
Japan via Kobe	Philoctetes	XY	16.00	16.30
Amoy and Hongkong	Tsinan		19.30	20.00
Swatow H'kong Haiphong	Mingsang		19.30	20.00
Kwangtung	Mingsang		19.30	20.00

* The night before.
A Parcel mail for S.S., Gt. Britain and other countries, closes at 16.00 on 27th.
B Parcel mail for Netherlands India, closes at 16.00 on 28th.
X Provisional time—subject to alteration.
Y Superscribed correspondence.

Air Mails

Imperial Airways Service (Hongkong-Bangkok-London and Hongkong-Bangkok-Singapore-Australia) per ss. Canton, on March 28, at 8 a.m. for registered and at 9 a.m. for ordinary, and due Bracciano, Italy on April 9, and London on April 10.

Pan American Airways Service (Hongkong-San Francisco) per ss. Potsdam, on March 29, at 9 a.m. for registered and at 10 a.m. for ordinary, and due San Francisco on April 7.

Air France (Hongkong-Marseilles) per ss. Potsdam, on March 29, at 9 a.m. for registered and at 10 a.m. for ordinary, and due Marseilles on April 7, and London on April 8.

Neth (K.L.M.) Air Mail Service (Bandoeng-Amsterdam) per ss. Canton, on March 28, at 8 a.m. for registered and at 9 a.m. for ordinary, and due Amsterdam on April 11, and London on April 12.

Royal Netherlands Indies' Airways K.N.I.L.M. (Saigon-Batavia-Sydney) per ss. Chenonceaux, on March 31, at noon for registered and at 1 p.m. for ordinary to Saigon.

Shanghai-Japan Air Mail Service :—Air mails close daily at 8 p.m. for registered and ordinary.

Domestic Air Mail

Air Mails for Nanking per Shanghai-Nanking Air Line close daily at 12.00 (At Yuhang Road Sub-Office daily at 11.30 a.m.)

Air mails for Ningsia, Shensi, Szechwan, Yunnan, Kweichow, Hupeh (Shasi and west) and west thereof are to be forwarded to Hongkong for further transmission by the Hongkong-Chungking plane.

Train Mail

Light mails for or via Pengpu, Wuhu, N.S.R. and Lunghai (east of Chenghsien; Tungshan and Kaifeng) close daily, at 9.30 p.m. Express mails for Nanking and Chinkiang local close daily at 8.45 a.m.

Light mails for Kiangpei Offices west and north of Jukao via Chinkiang close daily at 9.30 p.m.

Light mails for or via Hangchow close daily at 9 a.m. and 9.30 p.m.; for S.H.N.R. daily at 9 a.m.

Light mails for or via T.P.R. and north Pinghan close daily at 9.30 p.m.

Light mails for Hankow, Wuchang and Hanyang by occasional sailings direct to Hankow.

Light mails for or via River Ports beyond Nanchang per available steamer via Ninghsien.

Ocean Mails for Europe and America.

Via Siberia by steamer to Tientsin or Chinwangtao for transmission.

Next steamer mails will be closed as follows :—
ss. Canton, via Suez, March 28, due London April 29.
ss. Potsdam, via Suez, March 29, due London April 24.
ss. Chenonceaux, via Suez, March 31, due London May 3.

Weather, Time and Tide

Monday, March 27, 1939 (7th day of 2nd moon)	SICCAWEI			
	March 25		March 26	
	16.00	21.00	4.00	9.00
Barometer inches	30.21	30.22	30.16	30.16
at 32 F. (variation for 24 hrs.)	+0.09	0.00	—0.10	—0.14
at 32 F. (,, ,, 12 hrs.)	—0.05	—0.08	—0.05	—0.06
Wind (direction)	NNW	ESE	ESE	ESE
,, (miles per hour)	5.6	3.7	7.4	21.8
Temperature (Fahr.)	50.0°	41.0°	39.0°	49.1°
Humidity %	47	86	87	60
Nebulosity (0 to 10)	9	0	0	1
Rainfall inches	—	—	—	—

Siccawei Abridged Report March 25	Mean 1939	24 hrs. variation	66 years average
Barometer (mean 4 obs.)	30.25	+0.17	30.12
Temp. Min. 33.°3 Max. 54.°3	43.°8	—7.°0	48.°9
Total rainfall January 1 to midnight before last (inches)	7.92	0.07	6.95

Time and Tide	27/3	28/3	29/3	30/3	31/3
Sun rises at Shanghai ..	5.50	5.49	5.48	5.47	5.46
Sun sets at Shanghai	18.09	18.10	18.11	18.12	18.13
Moon rises at Shanghai ..	9.57	10.54	11.55	12.59	14.06
Moon sets at Shanghai ..	—	0.07	1.09	1.51	2.38
Flood makes Shai. 6 to 18	14.10	15.16	16.50	18.35	6.40
Ebb. makes Shai. 6 to 18	7.20	8.05	9.10	10.40	12.34
H.W. W'sung Bar 6 to 18	15.56	16.38	5.22	7.30	9.14
Ht. above LLW. (feet)..	7.78	6.85	6.45	7.12	8.00

Passenger Lists

ARRIVALS

Per **Glenbeg**, March 24, from **London**:—Mrs. Ge. E. Bartley, from **Hongkong**:—Mr. R. E. L. Beardsworth.

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Vessels Arriving To-day

The following particulars in connection with vessels due to arrive to-day are based upon information available yesterday evening.

From **LIVERPOOL**: Philoctetes, due 9.30 a.m., Holt's Wharf.

From **TIENTSIN**: Mingsang, due a.m., or p.m., Roosevelt Terminal.

From **HONGKONG**: Fausang, due 8 a.m., Roosevelt Terminal.
Tsinan, due a.m., French Bund.

Due at Future Dates

All vessels are listed under their terminal port. The first date is that of the ship's departure from that port, and the second is the date she is due to arrive in Shanghai Where a ship's name is duplicated it indicates the port of call last visited.

EUROPE AND STRAITS

From GDYNIA

Protesilaus	7/2	31/3
Bellerophon	7/3	28/4

From COPENHAGEN

Kina	1/2	7/4

From OSLO

Titania	17/2	13/4
Tamerlane	20/3	9/5

From HAMBURG

Potsdam	18/2	28/3
Regensburg	11/3	16/4
Gneisenau	18/3	21/4
Eellerophon	11/3	26/4
Duisberg	25/3	10/5
Serooskerk	25/3	13/5

From BREMEN

Ramses	7/2	31/3
Kuimerland	21/2	14/4
Nordmark	7/3	22/4
Duisburg	21/3	10/5

From ROTTERDAM

Tamara	9/3	25/4
Tamerlane	25/3	9/5

From ANTWERP

Glenaffaric	4/2	1/4
Franken	24/2	15/4
Abbekerk	20/2	15/4
Lienapp	18/2	16/4
Regensburg	12/3	16/4
Denbighshire	4/3	29/4
Glenshiel	18/3	4/5
Serooskerk	20/3	13/5

From GLASGOW

Hector	11/2	31/3
Menestheus	25/2	13/4
Agamemnon	25/3	14/5

From LIVERPOOL

Menestheus	4/3	13/4
Teiresias	25/2	14/4
Diomed	11/3	21/4
Aeneas	18/3	1/5
Pyrraus	25/3	9/5

From LONDON

Suwa M.	17/2	28/3
Chitral	24/2	2/4
Terukuni M.	3/3	7/4
Carthage	10/3	16/4

From LONDON

Rajputana	24/3	16/4
Bangalore	4/3	17/4
Hakusan M.	17/3	24/4
Denbighshire	18/3	29/4

From MARSEILLES

Mar. Joffre	3/3	31/3
J. Laborde	17/3	14/4
Hakusan M.	24/3	24/4
Aeneas	25/3	1/5

From TRIESTE

C. Verdi	8/3	2/4
Arabia	20/2	20/4

From PORT SAID

Franken	12/3	15/4
Nordmark	27/3	22/4

From SUEZ

Kulmerland	16/3	14/4
Glenapp	16/3	16/4

From DJIBOUTI

J. Laborde	25/3	14/4

From ADEN

Carthage	25/3	16/4
Bangalore	20/3	17/4

From COLOMBO

Terukuni M.	25/3	7/4
Titania	26/3	13/4
Kulmerland	27/3	14/4
Abbekerk	26/3	15/4

From SINGAPORE

Glenaffaric	23/3	1/4
Chitral	24/3	2/4
C. Verde	27/3	2/4

From SOERABAIA

Tjisaroea	13/3	1/4
Tjisadane	17/3	1/4

From MANILA

Mar. Maersk	24/3	1/4
Tjisadane	25/3	1/4
Cingal. Prince	25/3	2/4
Kina	23/3	7/4

From SAIGON

Mar. Joffre	24/3	31/3

From HONGKONG
See "China Ports" below.

AMERICA AND JAPAN

From NEW YORK

Anna Maersk	10/2	28/3
Eurybates	27/1	29/3
Cingal. Prince	11/2	2/4
Irisbank	7/2	2/4
C. Athens	18/2	19/4
Ivaran	25/2	19/4
Malay Prince	9/3	24/4
Agapenor	27/2	25/4
Foyiebank	6/3	27/4
Niel Maersk	10/3	27/4
Silversandal	23/3	7/5
Laura Maersk	25/3	10/5
C. Pittsburg	16/3	13/5
Dardanus	27/3	19/5

From SAVANNAH

Niel Maersk	15/3	27/4
Silversandal	26/3	7/5

From SANTOS

Atlas M.	13/2	10/4

From VANCOUVER

E. of Canada	18/3	4/4

From LOS ANGELES

P. Coolidge	6/3	28/3
Silverteak	10/3	11/4
Asama M.	14/3	12/4

From LOS ANGELES

Ivaran	20/3	19/4
Malay Prince	26/3	24/4
Tatuta M.	27/3	29/4

From SAN FRANCISCO

Irisbank	3/3	2/4
Silverteak	16/3	11/4
Agapenor	26/3	25/4

From HONOLULU

Emp. Canada	23/3	4/4
Asama M.	22/3	12/4

From HONGKONG
See "China Ports" below.

From YOKOHAMA

Antenor	24/3	31/3
Neumark	26/3	1/4
Husimi M.	26/3	4/4

From KOBE

Anna Maersk	25/3	28/3
P. Coolidge	26/3	28/3

From NAGASAKI

Nagasaki M.	27/3	28/3

From KEELUNG(Formosa)

Tyosa M.	30/3	2/4

AFRICA AND AUSTRALIA

From CAPETOWN

Tegelberg	15/3	22/4

From DURBAN

Atlas M.	14/3	10/4
Tegelberg	21/3	22/4

From MELBOURNE

Neliore	4/3	10/4

From SYDNEY

Sydney M.	17/3	5/4

From BRISBANE

Nellore	17/3	10/4

CHINA PORTS

From DAIREN

Dairen M.	26/3	28/3

From TIENTSIN

Chengtu	25/3	28/3
Kanchow	25/3	30/3
Liangchow	27/3	31/3
Tingsang	30/3	2/4

From HONGKONG

Potsdam	20/3	28/3
Suwa M.	25/3	28/3
Kaying	24/3	28/3
Taiseunhong	24/3	28/3

From HONGKONG

Eurybates	20/3	29/3
Wingsang	26/2	30/3
Ramses	26/3	31/3
Protesilaus	26/3	31/3
Hector	27/3	31/3
Tjisadana	27/3	1/4
Mar. Maersk	27/3	1/4
Tjisaroea	25/3	1/4
Taiyuan	28/3	2/4
Suiyang	29/3	2/4
Chaksang	29/3	2/4
Soochow	31/3	4/4
Szechuen	4/4	8/4

Vessels Leaving

NORTH CHINA COAST

WINGSANG Apr. 1. CHEFOO and TIENTSIN.—Sails from Roosevelt Terminal Wharf on Saturday, April 1. "A" and "B" Saloon Accommodation. For freight and passage apply Jardine, Matheson & Co., Ltd. Tel. 15290. 1-4

SOUTH CHINA COAST

YOCHOW Mar. 27. SWATOW and HONGKONG.—Leaves on Monday, March 27, at 4 p.m. For freight and passage apply to Butterfield & Swire, Tel. 82020 (French Bund). 27-3

HSIN PEKING Mar. 28. NINGPO.—From French Bund on Tuesday, March 28, at 4.30 p.m. For freight and passage apply to Butterfield & Swire, Tel. 82020 (French Bund). 28-3

SZECHUEN Mar. 28. SWATOW and HONGKONG.—From French Bund on Tuesday, March 28, at 6 a.m. For freight and passage apply to Butterfield & Swire, Tel. 82020 (French Bund). 27-3

MINGSANG Mar. 29. SWATOW, HONGKONG and HAIPHONG.—Sails from Roosevelt Terminal Wharf on Wednesday, March 29, at 7 a.m. "A" and "B" Saloon Accommodation. For freight and passage apply Jardine, Matheson & Co., Ltd. Tel. 15290. 28-3

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TSINAN Mar. 29. AMOY and HONGKONG.—From French Bund on Wednesday, March 29, at 6 a.m. For freight and passage apply to Butterfield & Swire, Tel. 82020 (French Bund). 28-3

CHENGTU Mar. 31. SWATOW and HONGKONG.—From French Bund on Friday, March 31, at 7 a.m. For freight and passage apply to Butterfield & Swire, Tel. 82020 (French Bund). 30-3

KAYING Apr. 1. SWATOW, HONGKONG, KWONGCHOWWAN, PAKHOI and HAIPHONG.—From French Bund on Saturday, April 1, at 8 a.m. For freight and passage apply to Butterfield & Swire, Tel. 82020 (French Bund). 31-3

JAPAN

PHILOCTETES Mar. 28. KOBE and YOKOHAMA.—For freight and passage apply Agents, Butterfield & Swire, 21 French Bund. Tel. 82020. 28-3

STRAITS AND EUROPE

BURGENLAND Mar. 27. GENOA, ROTTERDAM and HAMBURG via PORTS.—(Captain W. Schladebach), on or about March 27, 1939. For freight and passage, please apply to Hamburg-Amerika Linie, Filiale Shanghai, 20 Canton Road. Tel. 18709. 27-3

CANTON Mar. 28. MARSEILLES, GIBRALTAR and LONDON via HONGKONG, SINGAPORE, PENANG, COLOMBO, COCHIN, ADEN, PORT SUDAN, SUEZ, PORT SAID and MALTA.—Last tender leaves Customs Jetty 10.30 a.m. Tuesday, March 28. Hand packages on accepted by the Tender. Heavy Baggage received into Lighter at Customs Jetty between 2 and 3 p.m. on Monday, March 27 Customs Permit required for any nailed cases. For Freight and Passage Apply to:—Mackinnon, Mackenzie & Co., Agents, 27 The Bund. Tel. No. 11428. 28-3

POTSDAM Mar 29. GENOA, SOUTHAMPTON, ROTTERDAM, BREMEN, HAMBURG via HONGKONG, MANILA SINGAPORE, PENANG, BELAWAN, COLOMBO and PORT SAID.—For freight and passage apply to Melchers & Co., general agents, N.D.L., 210-214 Kiukiang Road. Tel. 15566. 29-3

CHENONCEAUX Mar. 31. MARSEILLES via HONGKONG SAIGON, SINGAPORE, COLOMBO, DJIBOUTI, SUEZ and PORT SAID.—Messageries Maritimes, 9 French Bund. Tel. 82034. 31-3

ANTENOR Apr. 1. MARSEILLES, LONDON, ROTTERDAM, HAMBURG and GLASGOW.—For freight apply Messrs. Butterfield and Swire, 21 French Bund. Tel. 82020. 1-4

MALAYA Apr. 1. FOR PORT SAID, JAFFA, HAIFA, (loading on Mar. 31.) BEYROUTH, CASABLANCA, ROTTERDAM, HAMBURG and COPENHAGEN via HONGKONG, SAIGON, KOHSICHANG and SINGAPORE.—The East Asiatic Co.'s Motorship Malaya, Captain Chr. Nielsen, will be despatched from here on or about April 1, for the abovementioned ports. Cargo accepted on through Bills of Lading to all Continental, Baltic and Scandinavian ports. Optional Bills of Lading issued to U.K. Ports. For freight and passage apply to Agency of The East Asiatic Co., Ltd., 17 Canton Road. Tel. 15055. 1-4

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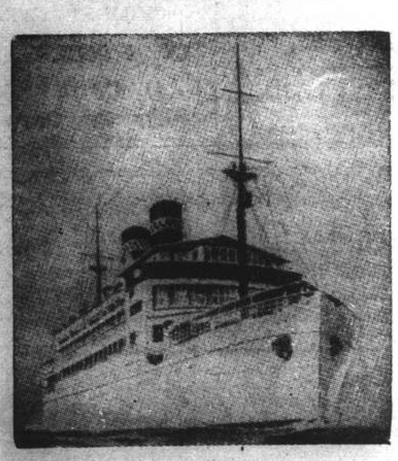

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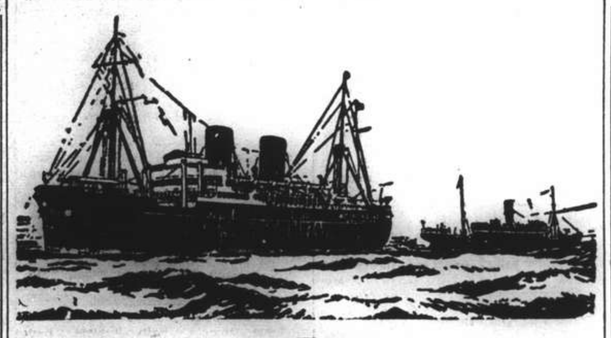

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Empress of Russia	June 25	July 10	Duchess of York	July 14	July 20
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In the Russian Colony

By "Stroy"

Australia and Canada are two jewels in the British Crown that have a hypnotic attraction for Russians, among them Russians in Shanghai. Nearly every large vessel from Canada docking here returns stowaways to the city from where they started their illegal journey, and in spite of their unenviable example—when caught they are given the most menial and unpleasant tasks and in Canada are held behind the bars of the Emigre House—attempts to get into the Dominion by hook or by crook are unceasing. Ships to Australia, however, carry Russians with passports and visas in complete order.

The majority of Russians in Australia must, perforce, live on the plantations, but the more financially stable percentage, partially composed of former Shanghailanders, has managed to settle down in the cities. At first they found life there strange and difficult, but in time they accustomed themselves to their new surroundings and conditions and at present are highly pleased with life. Russians in Australia are especially fond of Sidney. The editor of the periodical "The Path of the Emigre" writes: "I have yet to meet a Russian who was not in love with Sidney, and of this devotion the city is truly worthy."

Like their compatriots in Shanghai, Russians in Australia are engaged in whatever work they can find. They own farms. They work in the fields and in large industries. They are doctors, teachers, traders, professional sportsmen, different kinds of technicians. They earn their living as walking libraries, tailors, waiters, maids, seamstresses, laundresses, cooks, carpenters, photographers, chauffeurs, regents of choirs, cattle-drivers, fruit-peddlers. They do many other things for their daily bread, but most of them do something.

Pleasant Conditions

Most of them, too, are by now naturalized Australians, although quite a large percentage remain people without a country. Sidney is a city with a quota of wealthy Russians, but most live on their wages or salaries. Nearly all have flats of two or three rooms, and no one starves. Extremely heterogeneous socially, culturally and in their political sympathies, they are former officers and functionaries of Imperial Russia, former merchants, Cossacks, experienced agriculturalists.

As regards their intellectual life, opinion holds it to be not only worse than in Europe, but worse than in any other Russian emigre centre the world over. In Australia highly educated Russians are few and far between and the ruling interests are dancing and the cinema. Russians are rapidly merging with the native population. Conversation is studded with English words and expressions, youths often do not speak Russian at all, and Father Serishev complains that he must with increasing frequency hold confessions with Russian youngsters in the English language. But in spite of this, all those who have left for Australia are more than satisfied with their new life and those who hope to make that journey complain of the increasing difficulty to get the right of entry into that country.

After his concert at the Lyceum, Master Vladimir Havsky, Shanghai's musical prodigy, told interviewers that not for a moment was he subject to stage-fright, probably because from early childhood he had imbibed the atmosphere of public concerts. Havsky's father, a graduate of one of the most exclusive law schools in St. Petersburg and in all Russia, was forced after the revolution to teach music and became a professional pianist. His son gave his first concert when only six years of age. Young Havsky admits that he likes to play before an audience, and the sight of a full house always inspires him. Asked what he would like to be in the future, he replied without hesitation that his ambition is to become a composer. "In this way," he explained, "I would be able to give form to my own thoughts and moods. Most of all, I'd like to compose a concerto for a piano with orchestra." With laudable modesty he stated that although he likes to improvise on the piano he is yet unable to write down the music that comes into his head. In a year's time Master Havsky is leaving for abroad and his greatest desire is to meet the great Sergei Rachmaninoff and play for him.

First Financial Profit

At the annual meeting of the members of the ex-Officers' Club a new Board of Directors was elected. In spite of the stiff requirements for would-be members, the membership of this veteran organization continues to grow. At the end of 1937 the Club had 121 members, while at the end of 1938 the number grew to 165, marking an increase of 41 members. Receipts at the bar and dining room composed $45,323, and for the first time in its history the Club concluded the year with a financial profit. During 1938 the Club decorated its interior, improved its furniture and opened a new reading room.

Following a serious illness, Mr. I. J. Shlaeff, one of the oldest Far Eastern Russian journalists, underwent an operation and lost both his legs. To help him his colleagues in local Russian newspapers and members of the theatrical and musical world organized on March 26 an evening at the Russian Club with an interesting artistic programme. The public responded most generously, and the proceeds realized a sum that will be of sorely needed help to the unfortunate journalist when he leaves hospital.

In spite of the increased cost in paper and typographical work, Shanghai continues to be the world centre for the publishing of Russian books and magazines, which are printed here in even greater numbers than in Paris. Lately a number of new novels, collections of poetry, medical and historical works have been published, in addition to which the Russian colony prints many magazines which are distributed not only over the Far East but among Russian emigres in Europe and America.

A Worthy Institution

The traditional "Hungry Friday" organized annually by the Women's Committee of St. Tichon Zadonsky's Orphanage will on March 31, undoubtedly meet with wide response both among Russians and among other foreigners in the city. The publicity given in the press to this worthy institute could create the impression that the Orphanage is financially completely provided for, an impression which is quite erroneous. The Associated Charities Committee does give a subsidy, but this covers the expenses only in a small measure. Contributions have fallen off, and the Orphanage today exists only with the help of the monthly donations made by those who do not cease to support it, and by means of lotteries, special collections, etc. "Hungry Friday" is meant to improve the sorry state of its Fund. On this day, as it is known, ladies doing duty in various parts of the city will accept contributions of money or anything else that will help to support this Orphanage where 128 children from a few months to 16 years of age are today living.

On Monday the former artillery officers of the Russian Imperial Army commemorated the founding of the Artillery School, the best of its kind in Russia, which was formed in honour of His Imperial Highness Grand Duke Constantine. On Sunday a requiem service was held in memory of those who fell on the field of war, while on Monday, March 27, a dinner was given at the ex-Officers' Club. An interesting lecture by Dr. P. F. Orloff entitled "A Short Sketch of the History of Russian Medicine" was given last Thursday at the Russian Club.

Archbishop Victor, Head of the Russian Orthodox Mission in China, left Shanghai last week, sailing for the north. On the morning of his departure the Archbishop commenced the service in the Russian Cathedral, but soon gave its conducting over to Bishop John, and on leaving the church blessed the congregation and gave the Russian colony his best wishes for a merry Easter. The Archbishop was seen off at the dock by numerous representatives of various circles and by heads of the colony's main organizations.

Russian Musicians Leave

Ten Russian musicians, headed by Maestro A. G. Bershadsky, leader of the orchestra at the Cercle Sportif Francais, have received an invitation to play at one of the best hotels in Singapore, and on March 23 left Shanghai for that port. Arriving in Harbin from Russia 15 years ago, Mr. Bershadsky has since then played in the Hotel de Pekin and in the best local cinema houses during the days of the silent movies, has toured Java, was in charge of the musical programme in a local broadcasting station, and for four years led the orchestra at the Astor House. There are many prominent musicians in the orchestra who have left with him for Singapore, and Mme K. T. Sitnikova, the Opera star, is also one of the party.

The recent Tag Day in aid of the Home for Aged Women has yielded the money necessary for the support of this useful organization. With a capacity for 15 people, the Home at present has 30 old Russian women, with beds standing in the corridor. Most of them are educated and intelligent women who came to this refuge when they found themselves alone, without friends or acquaintances, in a strange city.

Mr. V. M. Anastasieff, an old teacher who has long been active in artistic work, has arrived here recently from Harbin. Graduated from the Imperial Artistic School, Mr. Anastasieff became in 1900 Director of an artistic-industrial College. In addition to his teaching profession Mr. Anastasieff was always active in social work, and during the Revolution, in 1918, even held the post of Minister of Education in the Ural provisional government. In Harbin since 1920, Mr. Anastasieff was Inspector of Municipal schools and Principal of the First High School in that city. Shortly after his arrival here Mr. Anastasieff commenced a series of lectures on the history of Art, held in the studio of the artist Mr. M. A. Kichigin.

Malaya to have R.A.F Volunteer Reserve

Imperial Unit To Be Put On Active Basis

Singapore, Mar. 26.

Malaya will be the first country outside the United Kingdom to introduce a Royal Air Force Volunteer Reserve. Details of the plan have just been announced officially.

Pilots, air observers, wireless operators and air gunners are to be trained as a war reserve for R.A.F. squadrons. This may involve war service anywhere in the world. It is an Imperial organization and therefore distinct from the existing Straits Settlements Volunteer Air Force, the only force of its kind in the British Empire. It will be retained at least temporarily. Training of recruits for the Volunteer Reserve will be carried out at Singapore and Penang and centres in the Federated Malay States.

Volunteers will be given 15 consecutive days of training each year, together with training every other week-end, while one or two evenings a week will be devoted to ground training. It is likely that a retaining fee will be paid when trainees attain proficiency and that, during period of continuous training, a daily rate of pay will be given. Travelling expenses will also be paid.

For the time being the scheme is open only to British Europeans, but it is probable it will be extended to British non-Europeans.—Reuter.

Pittman Neutrality Act Attacked

Bill Would Reward Nation With Biggest Purse; Return To Dollar Diplomacy

Washington, Mar. 26.

Senator Elbert Thomas, Democrat of Utah, last night bitterly denounced the "cash and carry" clause in the new Pittman Neutrality Act as "unmoral" and called for fair treatment for victims of aggression.

Addressing the Committee for aid to China, Senator Thomas said the Pittman bill would reward the belligerent nation with the largest purse, which often is the aggressor nation, and notifies the world that the United States is merely a "cash and carry store."

Such an impression, he said, would lead to the belief that American policy is "founded on commercialism and no better than the dollar diplomacy which characterized our 19th Century history and our demand for rights as a neutral which carried us into the Great War."

Senator Thomas said that except for the hope of a united Western Hemisphere, the United States trust in peace must rest upon a domestic neutrality law but this law "must be moral, fair and conscientiable."

Senator Thomas is a member of the Senate Foreign Relations Committee of which Senator Key Pittman, author of the new neutrality bill, is chairman.—United Press.

Opinions Differ

New York, Mar. 26.

Considerable differences of opinion prevail in Congressional circles here regarding the revision of the Neutrality Act, which will be discussed in the Senate next Wednesday.

According to the "New York Times," six different views are being voiced among members of the Senate committee: 1. Those who approve the Pittman resolution extending the "cash and carry" clause to all belligerants; 2. Those in favour of giving the President the power to decree an embargo against aggressors only; 3. Partisans of the complete suppression of the Neutrality Act; 4. Those in favour of enforcing the Act in regard to munitions only; 5. The opponents of the Pittman resolution; 6. Those who await Wednesday's discussion before taking a definitive stand.

Commenting on the present situation, Senator William E. Borah, fiery Republican isolationist of Idaho, brought serious charges against Great Britain which he accused of having encouraged Germany to annex Austria and dismember Czechoslovakia. Herr Hitler, he added, has no better friend than Great Britain.

Assistance Discouraged

"The United States should not assist the European democracies," the Senator continued. "The latter are merely pursuing their imperialistic ambitions and are not attempting to destroy Naziism. I shouldn't send any money or munitions to any European nation engaged in a war, and above all I should not like any American to be sacrified to the designs of European imperialism."

Senator Borah's declaration, coupled with opinions voiced by several other members of the Foreign Affairs Committee, reflects the bitter feeling among certain American political circles toward the attitude of the European democracies which did not succeed, according to them, in cementing an efficient coalition against the Nazis.—Havas.

Fairey "Stratoplanes" Have Novel Features

Ground Level Pressure to Be Maintained to 15,000 Ft.

London, Mar. 25.

Additional details of the Fairey "stratoplanes" for flying at greater heights than is at present practicable with passengers were announced yesterday.

Fourteen of these airliners will embody pressure cabins of a more advanced kind than those of any airliner at present in service or beyond the experimental stage. In the cabins, the normal ground level of the atmosphere pressure will be maintained up to the height of 15,000 feet.

Accommodation will be provided for 30 passengers. This type of airliner is designed to attain a maximum speed of 275 m.p.h., with four engines, each of 1000 horsepower.—Wireless through Reuter.

More Bacon for British Breakfasts

Deficiencies in Supplies Made Good

London, Mar. 25.

The Board of Trade is arranging for the importation during April, May, and June of an additional quantity of bacon amounting to 208,650 hundredweights from certain supplying countries.

This is mainly to replace temporary deficiencies in supplies from home and other sources, but also includes an addition of 39,650 hundredweights to the total allocation at present in force.—Wireless Through Reuter.

Chinese Flocking Back To Canton At Rate Of 4,000 A Month

Japanese Removing Restrictions to Encourage Return to Normal; Air Service with Formosa

Canton, Mar. 26.

The claim that Chinese of all classes were flocking back to Canton at the rate of 4,000 a month was made at the first Japanese press conference held here.

The majority were said to be returning via the Macao route, although a considerable number were also coming back direct from Hongkong. The present population of the city was given as 800,000, or approximately ten times the number when the Japanese marched in last October.

It was also announced that, in order to remove all possible objections for the return of the better classes of Chinese, the Japanese military authorities would shortly rescind the order compelling all Chinese adults to wear "good citizenship" badges. It is an open secret that Chinese of all classes detest the wearing of these badges, which they consider a humiliation.

Questioned regarding the situation on the border of Canton, the Japanese spokesman said that all was quiet at present and there was no fighting of any kind.

Turning to the reconstruction efforts of the Japanese, the spokesman declared that a regular commercial air line between Canton and Formosa would be inaugurated shortly; that the Chinese-owned Tungkwan sugar factory, the largest of its kind in South China, would shortly resume operations under the auspices of the Japan Sugar Association, and that road construction in the suburbs of the city was being pushed with great vigour.—Reuter.

Americans Want Bomb Proof Shelters

War Department Receives Many Applications

Washington, Mar. 25.

Americans are now demanding for bomb-proof shelters, the War Department reveals. The September crisis and the recent tension have led to an increasing number of requests, some described as hysterical, for instruction in the construction of bomb-proof shelters similar to those in Europe, it states. Some of the requests, according to the War Department, come from as far inland as Arkensas.

Military engineers are faced with an unprecedented demand for advice on air raid precautions. They declare that they see no reason why Americans should yet share the fears of the British and the French, and see little likelihood of aerial invasion in the event of the United States being involved in War.

But in view of the rapidly increasing range of aircraft, shelters, trenches and other devices for the protection of civilians are being planned, it is revealed.—Reuter.

Flamborough Head to Be Protected

Ground Bought as Landmark By Bridlington Corpn.

London, Mar. 25.

The land of Flamborough Head, a prominent landmark of the East coast of England, has been saved from building development owing to its purchase by the Bridlington Corporation.

The purchase is of about 120 acres, including the site of the lighthouse and the fog-signal station, and its object is the preservation of this national landmark.

It is possible that the land will be handed over to the National Trust for Preservation of Beauty Spots and Places of Historical Interests.—Wireless Through Reuter.

British Shipping May Get Subsidy

Announcement Expected to Be Made Tomorrow

London, Mar. 25.

It is anticipated that an important announcement regarding a subsidy for British shipping will be made in the House of Commons on Tuesday by the President of the Board of Trade, Mr. Oliver Stanley.

Newspapers consider it probable that the announcement will indicate the Government's willingness to grant a subsidy, which will amount to 20 per cent. of the cost of the new British tonnage built in British yards.

Large orders for ships, it is stated, are ready to be placed, and in shipping circles, it is believed that a subsidy on this scale would result in at least 500,000 tons of new orders being booked immediately.—Wireless through Reuter.

Anglo-Russian Trade Talks Continue

Concrete Stage Reached in Moscow Discussions

London, Mar. 25.

The talks in Moscow between Mr R. S. Hudson, Secretary for British Overseas Trade, and M. Mikoyen, Soviet Commissar for the Food Industry, continued right through the day, reaching a concrete stage in the discussion of Anglo-Soviet trade relations. The talks are continuing over the week-end.—Reuter.

Peiping Bans Export Of Foodstuffs

Peiping, Mar. 26.

The Police Bureau has issued an order prohibiting the export of foodstuffs from Peiping to other districts.

Peiping, the order says, is not a cereal-producing centre, and its requirements in the way of foodstuffs are met by supplies from other ports. To maintain the livelihood of the Peiping people, the export of any kind of cereal is strictly forbidden except with the specific permission of the Japanese special mission. Various sub-stations have been instructed to take notice of the order.—Reuter.

Lufthansa To Introduce Berlin-Cairo Service

Berlin, Mar. 26.

The German airline Lufthansa plans the introduction of a regular air service between Berlin and Cairo carrying passengers, freight and mail for steamers bound for the Far East. The first plane will leave Berlin Tempelhof airport at 1 p.m. Berlin time on March 31 being due in Cairo the next day 10.15 a.m. Berlin time. The second plane is to leave Berlin on April 28. It is recalled that the Lufthansa ran a similar service in 1937.—Trans-Ocean.

Tax on Bachelors Proposed in U.S.

Columbia, S.C., Mar. 25.

Representative Charles C. Moore, of Spartanburg, has drafted a bill levying an annual tax of $5 on bachelors between ages of 25 and 60. He did not believe enactment of the measure would result in a wave of marriages, however, because "a lot of men will feel it's worth $5 a year to retain their freedom."—United Press.

Arab Lad Given Heavy Sentence

SPECIAL TO THE "N.C.D.N."

Jerusalem, Mar. 25.

A 13-year-old Arab boy was today sentenced by the military court to 10 years' imprisonment and 18 strokes of the whip for shooting a Jew. The Jew was slightly injured.—Reuter.

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